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## SMART SALVAGE ACHIEVEMENT.

### REFLOATING OF THE "LOK SUN."

### TOWED INTO PORT AFTER RELEASE FROM ROCKS.

### TO BE BROKEN UP.

After being given up as a total loss, the steamer Lok Sun, stranded on the rocks off Samun Island since July 14, has been refloated by the Sun Fat Company and towed to Hongkong.

The Lok Sun was bought at auction by the Sun Fat Company on July 29 for \$11,000, after a fire had ravaged the wreck, destroying the vessel amidships and burning out the bridge and upper works.

The ship's wireless and the coal in her bunkers were not included in the purchase.

### Unfavourable Prospect.

When the Sun Fat Company bought the ship, it was the general opinion that she would never leave the rocks off Samun Island, save in sections, which might be brought to Hongkong and sold. It had evidently been decided that the vessel would not repay the expenses of refloating and rebuilding, and it appeared unlikely that the new owners would attempt the task.

The Sun Fat Company, however, evidently had their own ideas on the subject, and a week ago they set to work with 80 men, and four launches, to shift the vessel.

### Dynamite Used.

The Lok Sun's bows were firmly jammed on the rocks, and some repairs had to be effected in this direction before the ship could float. This was done, and portions of the rocks below the ship were then blown away with dynamite.

In the latter process, the bottom of the vessel was badly damaged, but the temporary repairs previously made kept the upper part of the ship afloat.

The cable the most difficult and dangerous part of the whole affair. It was necessary to apply a considerable force to entirely lift the Lok Sun from the rocks, and for this purpose dynamite was again used.

### Anxious Period.

This period was a most anxious one for the men controlling the salvage party, as the risk of further damage to the badly crippled ship was enormous.

Every precaution, however, coupled with very careful handling of the wreck, prevented any mishap, and after the cable had been exploded the Lok Sun was afloat.

### Return to Harbour.

Although the worst part of the salvage work was now over, there still remained the task of bringing the Lok Sun back to Hongkong.

The work was completed off Samun Island on Monday evening, and so carefully was the ship handled that she was lying in Hongkong Harbour shortly after 1 a.m. the following day. At present she is anchored off the Kwong Cheung Hing Shipyard at Chung Sha Wan.

### To Be Broken Up.

It is not the object of the Sun Fat Company to re-build the Lok Sun, but to break her up and sell her. In addition to the \$11,000 paid for the ship, the company have expended a further \$8,000 on the salvage work, but even with this addition they should make a handsome profit on their deal.

The Lok Sun went ashore on the morning of July 14, with 750 passengers on board, all of whom were taken off without injury. She is a steel screw steamer of 1,781 tons gross, and 1,044 net. She was built in 1902 by Rickmers, Bremerhaven, and is 251 feet in length by 37.2 feet in beam.

The vessel was formerly known as the Andree Rickmers, Gulfport and Commercial Scout.

## AMERICAN WOMAN PILOT KILLED.

### AVIATION RACE MARRED BY TRAGEDY.

### JUMPED FROM PLANE.

New York, Aug. 20.

The tragic death of one of the foremost women pilots in the United States, Miss Muriel Crosson, noted for her achievements in altitude flying, has marred the so-called "Powder Puff" aerial derby, namely, the women's transcontinental aviation marathon.

Miss Crosson was found dead after her machine had been reported missing. Her body was found lying in the midst of a pile of brushwood, while her machine, completely wrecked, was nearby.

It was evident from the position of the corpse that Miss Crosson, who was the holder of the women's altitude record of 23,996 feet, had jumped from the falling plane in an endeavour to save herself.

The wreckage was found in the vicinity of Wellon in Arizona.

There are eighteen other competitors in the race, which involves a flight from Santa Monica, California, to Cleveland, Ohio, the prizes being valued at \$5,000.

Miss Amelia Earhart, the only woman to fly the Atlantic in an aeroplane, is among the racers. *Reuter's American Service.*

## FEARS FOR SWISS AIRMEN.

### STILL NO NEWS OF LATEST ATLANTIC FLIGHT.

### RESCUE VERY REMOTE.

New York, Aug. 20.

Fears are entertained regarding the safety of the aeroplane, "Young Switzerland," piloted by a young Swiss airman named Kneiser, which started out at 7.18 a.m. on Monday from Lisbon on an attempt to reach New York.

The machine, which is a Farman land plane of 200 horse-power, capable of a 50 hours' flight at 96 miles an hour, was last reported as passing over the Azores last evening. Aboard besides Kneiser are a navigator and a mechanic, both Swiss.

The "Young Switzerland" has not been sighted for 24 hours. She should have arrived at the Roosevelt Field Aerodrome at New York this afternoon.

Dense fogs are reported along the North Atlantic coast, and this fact adds to the anxiety felt for the airman's safety.

The fliers have inflatable rubber suits and a collapsible canoe, but their chances of being rescued, if forced down, are regarded as remote. *Reuter's American Service.*

## ANOTHER BRILLIANT FLYING FEAT.

### FLYING OFFICER ATCHERLEY AT PRACTICE.

London, Aug. 20.

The famous R.A.F. pilot, Flying Officer Atcherley, in the course of a trial of a Super-Marine Rolle-Voyce seaplane, one of the British Schneider Trophy entries, remained in the air for a quarter of an hour, and is believed to have reached, if he did not actually succeed in beating, the speed attained by Flying Officer Waghorn yesterday, namely, 140 miles an hour.

It seems likely that Britain will be represented in the race by Flying Officer Atcherley, Flying Officer Waghorn, and Squadron Leader Orlebar. *Reuter.*

## FLOOD DISASTER.

### THOUSANDS HOMELESS IN PERSIA.

Teheran, Aug. 20.

A hundred people have been drowned and five thousand houses have been destroyed as the result of disastrous floods in the region of Tabriz. The damage is reported to be enormous. *Reuter.*

## OFFICER'S TICKET SUSPENDED.

### ABSENCE FROM SHIP DURING VOYAGE.

### LOST WALLET GIVEN AS THE EXPLANATION.

### COURT OF ENQUIRY.

Mr. W.C.C. Becks, formerly Chief Officer of the s.s. Kwong Fook Cheong, who missed his ship when it sailed for Hongkong on August 2nd, was this morning deemed by a Court of Enquiry to have committed an act of misconduct, and his certificate was suspended for three months.

The Court was composed of the following:—Commander G.F. Hoie, R.N., retired, (President), Lieut. Commander L.G. Addington, D.S.C., R.N., (H.M.S. Tanar), Captain R.T. Hughes (s.s. Tyndareus), Capt. R. McKay Thomson (s.s. Lung-shan) and Captain C. R. Benstead (s.s. San Nam Ho).

Captain Perritt said that at 6.35 p.m. on August 2, the s.s. Kwong Fook Cheong left Hongkong for Hongkong and when they had proceeded for some distance he discovered that Mr. Becks was not on board. Mr. Becks signed on the articles on July 8, as Chief Officer and had no permission to be absent.

### Master Fined.

The sequel to the incident was on August 12, when witness was summoned before the Marine Magistrate and was fined \$15 for leaving port without a chief officer.

Mr. W. Hoekstad, chief engineer, said that he did not see Mr. Becks during the trip but did see him when the ship returned to Hongkong. Witness saw that Mr. Becks' cabin was locked and thought he was probably sick. Witness did not himself actually find out whether Mr. Becks was on board or not.

The President explained the Court procedure to Mr. Becks, who elected to make a statement, in preference to giving evidence in the witness box.

### Mr. Becks' Statement.

He said that he was on board the ship on the afternoon of August 2nd, and that at about half past three Captain Perritt gave him (Mr. Becks) his wages for July. He took that time and four o'clock he went ashore. He was returning to the ship at about six o'clock when, as he reached the Harbour Office, he suddenly realised that he had left his wallet at a tailor's shop in Queen's Road. He returned to the shop where he found his wallet and stayed there talking for some time, after which he set out for the ship.

When he reached the wharf it was a few minutes before seven o'clock and the ship was not there. He tried to catch the s.s. Paul Beau which was just leaving but missed it, and as there was no other ship going to Hongkong that night he could do nothing more.

In reply to questions by the Court, Mr. Becks said it took him from 6 p.m. until just before seven o'clock to go to the tailor's shop and back because he stayed there talking. He also had an idea in his mind that the ship was leaving at seven o'clock as all the other night boats on the Hongkong route left at that time. He had not been long on the ship.

### Court's Finding.

After a short adjournment the Court returned the following finding:—

"We find that at 6.45 p.m. on August 2, 1929, the British s.s. Kwong Fook Cheong, official No. 152,106 of Hongkong, of which Mr. William Perritt (certificate of competency as master No. 001820 of Glasgow) was Master, left Hongkong on a voyage to Hongkong."

"That Mr. William Claude Cyril Becks, who was on the articles of the said ship as Chief Officer, and who holds a certificate of competency as first mate (river trade only) No. 3691 of Hongkong, did miss the ship without sufficient cause and not having previously obtained leave of absence from the Master."

"We find that the aforesaid Mr. W.C.C. Becks committed an act of misconduct and we therefore adjudge that his certificate of competency aforesaid be suspended for three months."

## LARGE HONGKONG ESTATES.

### FORMER RESIDENTS LEAVE OVER \$500,000 EACH.

### OTHER LOCAL WILLS.

Mr. William Dunbar, retired flour merchant, formerly of Hongkong, who died at 1002, Rochdale Avenue, Victoria, B.C., on June 23 this year, left local estate of \$546,900. Probate of a will made on February 27 and affecting only the local estate has been granted to Mr. Edward Henry Ray, shipbroker.

Under the will, equal shares of the Hongkong property are given to the wife of deceased and his son. The local estate consists of shares in the stock of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, the Union Insurance Society of Canton, the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., other local concerns, as well as cash in banks.

Mr. Edward Shellim, late of 16, Second Avenue, Hove, and also of Shanghai and Hongkong, left estate in Hongkong to the value of \$539,100. Mr. Shellim died on December 7, 1928, at or near Devil's Dyke, Brighton. Under the will, his wife, Mr. Edward

## FASCISTS & SOCIALISTS IN CLASH.

### Three Killed & 300 Injured in Austria.

### A CIVIL WAR FEARED.

Vienna, Aug. 21.

Great excitement prevails in Austria as the result of a clash between the Heimwehr (Fascists) and Socialists at Styria on Sunday, in which three were killed and 300 injured.

There is talk of a civil war. The Fascists are reported to have considerable supplies of arms, and the Socialists fear that the Republic is endangered.

Troops and police have been ordered to be ready for eventualities. *Reuter.*

Howard, of Hongkong, and Mr. David Sassoon Shellim, of Bombay, are appointed executors. An application by the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton for the resealing of a certified copy of probate of the will has been granted.

### Other Wills.

Mr. Alastair Cameron, a merchant, formerly of 122, Lendenhall Street, London, and late of the Riviera Palace Hotel, Cimiez, Nice, who died at the latter place on February 3, left local estate of \$163,400. The gross value of the estate is £339,558. An application by Mr. Marcus Theodore Johnson for exemplification of the probate of the will and codicil to be resealed has been granted.

The late Mr. Cameron appointed Mr. H. W. Johnson, and Mr. M. K. Johnson, of 24, Austin Friars, London, and his partner, Sir William Crawford Currie, to be his executors. Under the will, a trust fund is created for his wife, who receives £10,000 immediately upon his death. Bequests of £1,000 are made to the executors and managing trustee. All guns, motor cars, motor accessories and personal effects go to his ten-year-old son.

Mr. John McConnell, late of College Green House, 66, Botanic Avenue, Belfast, who died on March 10, 1928, left local estate of \$21,200. Resealing of a certified copy of probate of the will has been granted to the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton.

## PREMIER AND EGYPT.

### LONG TALK WITH NEW HIGH COMMISSIONER.

London, Aug. 20.

Sir Percy Loraine, who was recently appointed High Commissioner for Egypt, visited Lonsdalemouth today and had a long private conversation with Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, the Premier. *Reuter.*

## HONOURS EVEN AT THE OVAL.

### BRILLIANT BATTING IN FINAL TEST.

### SUTCLIFFE'S FEAT WITHOUT A PARALLEL.

### HAMMOND'S HUNDRED.

London, Aug. 20.

The Final Test wound up at the Oval today with a feat of glorious batting and honours even. If South Africa trounced the English bowling in a manner shocking to our pride, the bowling of the Springboks had no terrors for Hammond and Sutcliffe, and the English total when stumps were drawn stood at 264 for the loss of one wicket.

In the course of the day, 473 runs were scored and only four wickets fell, while Herbert Sutcliffe brought off a feat unparalleled in the history of international cricket by scoring his second three-figure innings in the match.

### Feat Without Parallel.

The record lies in the fact that it is the second time the famous Yorkshireman has made a century in each innings of a Test Match, the previous occasion being against Australia at Melbourne in 1924-25, when he made 176 and 127, and was on the field for the whole of the game, 27 hours, 52 minutes, except for 80 minutes.

To-day's superlative cricket enabled Sutcliffe to obtain two separate hundreds in one match for the fourth time in his first-class career. In all matches. Only Russell of Essex has previously scored a century in each innings of a Test Match against South Africa. Hammond, who also made a century to-day, is the only English player who has equalled Sutcliffe's feat of scoring two hundreds in a match against Australia.

### To-day's Play.

The South Africans, continuing their first innings, this morning, scored at a brilliantly fast rate and had completed 492 for the loss of eight wickets, when H. G. Deane applied the closure.

Hobbs and Sutcliffe naturally opened the innings for England, who were 234 runs in arrears. Sutcliffe played with great restraint, but Hobbs gave a nice display and made 52 before he fell a victim to Vincent.

This was South Africa's only success. When Hammond joined Sutcliffe a few minutes batting revealed that he was in his brightest form, and he scored with such delightful freedom that it seemed he would reach Sutcliffe up. The Yorkshireman, however, untied delightfully once defeat was absolutely out of the question and the pair put on runs rapidly. Deane tried no fewer than seven bowlers against them without success.

At the close of play, England were 30 runs on with only one wicket down, the score-board showing 254, to which Sutcliffe had contributed 109 not out and Hammond 101 not out.

### England—1st Innings.

J. H. Hobbs, c. Quinn, b. MacMillan	10
H. Sutcliffe, c. Green Smith, b. Vincent	104
H. Hammond, st. Cameron, b. Vincent	17
P. E. Woolley, ht. wkt., b. Vincent	42
H. E. B. Wyatt, c. Deane, b. Vincent	5
M. Leyland, b. Vincent	16
A. W. Carr, c. Morkel, b. MacMillan	16
L. Auer, c. Mitchell, b. MacMillan	0
G. Gray, not out	12
A. P. Freeman, c. Cameron, b. Quinn	15
E. C. Clark, b. Quinn	7
Extras	10
Total	258

### Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Morkel	20	4	20	0
Quinn	15.3	4	20	1
Vincent	45	10	105	6
MacMillan	28	7	78	8
Green Smith	4	0	16	0

### South Africa—1st Innings.

R. H. Cattrell, c. Carr, b. Clark	0
J. A. Sealie, b. Gray	14
H. Mitchell, c. Green Smith, b. Vincent	2
H. W. Taylor, c. Ames, b. Clark	121
H. G. Deane, c. Woolley, b. Wyatt	53
H. B. Cameron, c. Freeman, b. Gray	52
D. P. D. Morkel, c. Auer, b. Clark	11
H. G. Deane Smith, b. Woolley	23
G. MacMillan, not out	24
C. L. Vincent, not out	16
Extras	10
Total (8 wks. dec.)	492
N. A. Quinn did not bat.	

### Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Clark	36	5	78	0
Gray	40	10	121	8
Freeman	49	9	169	0

## AMMUNITION DUMP EXPLOSION.

### GARRISON OF HUNDRED GET THROUGH UNSCATHED.

### OFFICIAL REPORTS.

Bucharest, Aug. 20.

It is feared that terrible tragedy has occurred at a big munition dump and fort at Domnesti, which is only twelve miles from the capital.

The ammunition dump blew up today with a terrific explosion, which was probably due to the excessive heat in which Rumania has been sweltering for several days past. All night long the shattering sound of explosions continued and the damage is stated to be enormous.

The number of casualties as the result of the accident cannot yet be estimated, but it is learned from official sources that only fifty out of the hundred troops forming the garrison have so far been accounted for.

### Later.

It is officially reported that the extent of the disaster at Domnesti has been to some extent exaggerated. The immediate vicinity of the ammunition dump is a shambles but the fort, in which the majority of the troops were quartered, is not seriously damaged.

None of the garrison have been either killed or injured. *Reuter.*

## AMERICAN TENNIS PRODIGY.

### MRS. SHEPHERD-BARRON LOSES TO 16-YEAR-OLD.

### BRITISH SUCCESSES.

New York, Aug. 20.

Britain's Wightman Cup players, competing in the American women's tennis championships at Forest Hills, continue to meet with success, their only failure to-day being the defeat of Mrs. B. C. Shepherd-Barron by a sixteen-year-old American tennis prodigy.

Mrs. Nuthall, Mrs. Covell, Mrs. Watson, Miss Helen Wills and Miss Helen Jacobs all won their games with the greatest of ease. The following are the principal results in the second round of the singles:

Mrs. Covell (Britain) beat Mrs. Endicott (U.S.A.) 6-1, 6-2.  
Mrs. Watson (Britain) beat Mrs. Lammie (U.S.A.) 6-2, 6-0.  
Mrs. Mitchell (Britain) beat Miss N. Palfrey (U.S.A.) 6-4, 6-3.  
Mrs. Mallory (U.S.A.) beat Mrs. Taylor (U.S.A.) 6-2, 6-1.  
Miss Helen Jacobs (U.S.A.) beat Miss E. Goss (U.S.A.) 6-0, 6-4.  
Miss Betty Nuthall (Britain) beat Miss G. Dwyer (U.S.A.) 6-3, 6-1.  
Miss S. Palfrey (U.S.A.) beat Mrs. Shepherd-Barron (Britain) 8-10, 6-0, 6-4.  
Miss Wills (U.S.A.) beat Mrs. Chapin (U.S.A.) 6-0, 6-1. *Reuter's American Service.*

### Germany's Commitments.

Dr. Stresemann is doubtless anxious to ascertain under which Plan, the Dawes or the Young, Germany will be expected to pay her reparations after September 1st, and also what is to happen with regard to the evacuation of the Rhineland, on which Britain has expressed decided views in Germany's favour.

Dr. Stresemann also requested in his Note that an early meeting of the six Powers should be held to "clear up the entire situation." The five creditor Powers, Britain, France, Italy, Belgium and Japan, have acceded to Germany's request and have arranged for a meeting at 5.30 o'clock to-morrow afternoon.

## DRAMATIC TURNS AT THE HAGUE.

### GERMANY REQUESTS EXPEDITION.

### SNOWDEN AND BRIAND TALK WITHOUT FIREWORKS.

### JAPANESE MEDIATION.

The Hague, Aug. 20.

The efforts to bring M. Briand and Mr. Philip Snowden together for a friendly discussion of the issues at stake have succeeded through the arrangements for the pair to lunch together at the invitation of the Dutch Foreign Minister failed to materialise.

Mr. Snowden and M. Briand met subsequently, and had a long private discussion, at the headquarters of the Japanese delegation, through the mediation of Baron Adachi, the head of the Japanese representatives.

In addition to Baron Adachi, only a British Treasury expert and a French interpreter were present.

It can be regarded as certain, says Reuter, that the reparations problems were the subject of the conversation, the object of which was to dissipate Anglo-French misunderstandings, and to show that Mr. Snowden is not "France's enemy" as has been asserted by the French newspapers.

An official communique says: "M. Briand, accompanied by Mr. Snowden and Baron Adachi, had a general exchange of views pending the report of the technical experts, with a view to bringing their respective standpoints into closer agreement."



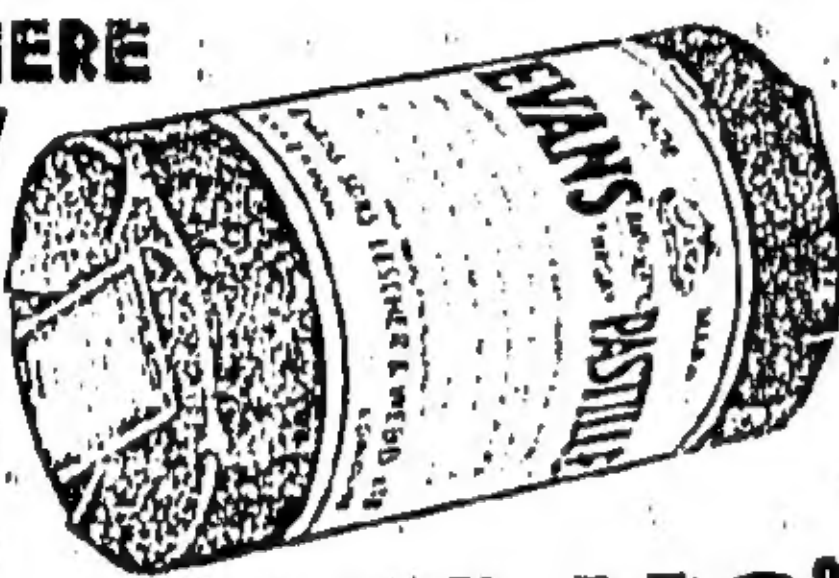
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CHINA BECOMING  
TRUCULENT.SOVIET DENIES BLAME FOR  
FRONTIER RAIDS.

Peking, Aug. 20.

A very reliable foreign report from Harbin dated August 19, summing up the situation in Manchuria, states that the frontier situation is grave. It goes on to state that small Russian raiding parties have clashed with Chinese troops near Manchou, Sulfenho and Laharsu, on Chinese soil.

The total Chinese casualties hitherto are two hundred killed and wounded.

Minor cases of sabotage continue along the railway.

The report states that individual Chinese soldiers at Harbin are badly treating Russian and Japanese women, while it is reliably reported that the Chinese military forces are treating Soviet prisoners and interned persons cruelly.

Customs officials reaching Harbin from Tachien report that Chinese troops are evacuating that area, which is consequently pillaged by Russian raiding parties.

Messages from Mukden state that reports concentrating there indicate that the main object of the Russian raids across the border is to seize foodstuffs.

Hitherto there is no confirmation of the "ten thousand invasion," which is regarded as mythical.

—Reuter.

Kuminkun Want to Fight.

Shanghai, Aug. 20.

According to the Kumin News Agency the leading Kuminchun generals are urging the National Government to declare war against Russia and offer to lead their units as advance forces in the National army.

It is reported that Chiang Kai-shek is due here to-morrow to inspect the troops in the Shanghai-Wusung area. —Reuter.

Bomb on Railway Track.

Tokyo, Aug. 20.

A message from Manchuria states that, fearing an outbreak of hostilities at any moment, Chinese and Russian merchants have already withdrawn. Japanese merchants are prepared to follow their example, but this is due to business depression rather than apprehension of a Sino-Soviet clash being imminent.

A message from Harbin late last night states that an engineer was seriously injured and two others slightly injured when the locomotive of a train from Harbin was blown up near Tapinglin. The explosion, which is said to have been due to a bomb on the railway track, as a fuse was found nearby, is attributed to a Soviet malcontent. —Reuter.

Chinese More Truculent.

Tokyo, Aug. 20.

A message from Harbin says the number of Chinese troops on the border and the railway is increasing. They are assuming a more truculent attitude compared with the passivity hitherto maintained.

It is noteworthy that the Chinese authorities, through the medium of radio and the newspapers are circulating reports detrimental to the Soviet, alleging that Soviet troops have been guilty of incendiarism, looting and invasion of the border. —Reuter.

Russia Blames China.

Moscow, Aug. 20.

The official Tass Agency reports that, owing to frequent raids on Soviet territory by White Guards and Chinese detachments, organized in Chinese territory, the Foreign Commissariat has sent a statement to the German Embassy for submission to the Naunking and Mukden governments.

The statement enumerates the alleged incidents, with a view to proving the falsity of the Chinese reports to the effect that Soviet troops have attacked Chinese forces. It specifies seven incidents, between July 18 and August 18, of which the most serious occurred on August 10, when a Soviet border

## SHANGHAI TYPHOON.

COMPARATIVELY LITTLE  
DAMAGE SUSTAINED.

Shanghai, Aug. 18.

The tail-end of the typhoon that swept over Shanghai on Wednesday left behind in its wake a number of shattered bill-boards, uprooted trees and the wrath of numerous Shanghai residents. The damage, which was comparatively small, might have been greater had the typhoon decided to pay a real call on Shanghai instead of merely glancing over the city, as it were.

After hanging around Hangchow for about two days, the typhoon decided to move for parts north and according to reports the centre of the "big wind" missed Shanghai by 50 miles. Yesterday afternoon, the typhoon was reported to be lingering around the mouth of the Yangtze Valley and early yesterday evening was reported on its way towards Korea.

Little damage, if any, was done to shipping, warning having been received in time for masters of craft in the harbour to batten down everything and make every thing fast. All small craft hugged every nook and cranny in the harbour that gave promise of safety in case the typhoon assumed serious proportions, and as a result, further than a few of the small Chinese junks taking a considerable amount of water, little damage was done.

Considerable commotion was witnessed on Avenue Joffre when a tea-house owned by Russians commenced to sway. A large awning used for both advertising and sun-shading purposes arranged on one side of the tea-house, was caught in a force gust of wind and collapsed. A Russian who was passing at the time had a narrow escape.

## COURT MARTIAL.

INDIAN GUNNERS GUILTY OF  
STRIKING SUPERIOR.

On August 1, a District Court Martial assembled at Gan Chah Hill Barracks to try Gunner Kartar Singh, and Gunner Daswanda Singh, both of the I.K.S. Brigade R.A., on charges of striking a superior officer.

The Court found the accused guilty and ordered them to undergo detention for 56 days.

detachment was attacked near the village of Cherniaev, and five Soviet troops were killed and six wounded.

It also mentions two attacks on the warship Boudhednota in the Sanguir River.

The statement says the Red army's border-crossing is the outcome of all these raids, but the Soviet is doing its utmost to prevent its troops crossing, even at isolated points. It considers the Chinese Government must disarm the White Guards and prevent the Chinese raids, otherwise it holds the Chinese Government responsible. —Reuter.

War Declared?

According to a Shanghai cable published by the Chung Wah Yut Po, a Hongkong vernacular daily paper, the Russians are stated by a foreign source to have drafted a proclamation declaring war against China.

Tokyo Minister's Statement.

Tokyo, Aug. 20.

Declaring that the Soviet has been increasingly aggressive since August 16, the Chinese Minister in an interview with the chief of the Asiatic Bureau, emphasized that Chinese troops had no intention of retaliating, though they were prepared to act if the Soviet attempted to invade Chinese territory.

Referring to the Soviet allegation that China had broken her promise to restore the Soviet officials to the C.E.R., the Minister asserted that the Chinese Government never committed themselves to any such pledge. —Reuter.

## CASE OF PLAGUE.

LOCAL AUTHORITIES TAKE  
PRECAUTIONS.

Describing it as a rather mysterious case, the Medical Officer of Health, Dr. Hugh A. Fawcett, made a statement at yesterday's meeting of the Sanitary Board in connexion with the case of plague reported on Sunday.

After the routine business of the Board had been transacted, the President, Mr. N. L. Smith, said he was sorry to inform members that a case of plague had occurred in the Colony. He did not think it was the first case reported for five years as he understood that there had been isolated cases while he was on leave. The discovery of the recent case had, of course, given rise to a certain amount of concern.

It had been confirmed by the M. O. H. and he had asked him to make a statement to the Board. Apparently there was no cause for bringing in the stringent regulations under which areas where infection had occurred could be pulled to pieces.

The Medical Officer of Health said the case was reported from 33 Des Voeux Road West, the sufferer being a Chinese lady of 62 years of age. Dr. Fawcett said that he visited the house with Dr. Hawke, who was in charge of the case, but from the specimen taken for analysis at first it was rather difficult to come to a conclusion. He therefore paid a second visit to the house and later the bacteriologist informed him by telephone on Sunday morning that it was practically certain that it was a case of plague.

Precautions Taken.

Dr. Fawcett said he had the patient removed to hospital and the Sanitary Department inspectors were communicated with. The case was rather unusual as it had occurred late in the year.

Cases were more likely to arise up to June and July and in the second place the infected person was an old lady. Elderly people did not as a rule get the disease as quickly as younger people. In the third case the premises where the case occurred were particularly clean. The old lady was living with her son on the top floor of the house. She had occupied the floor for about three months and it was rather difficult to understand how she became infected.

All round the house, however, were rice godowns and naturally the district was full of rats. The house was not of the usual tenement type, however, and he had seen no signs of rats in the house. On these facts the case was rather an unusual one.

No Need for Alarm.

When the case was confirmed the Sanitary inspectors were immediately put on house cleaning in the area. The entire block of property had been cleaned and he had drawn a zone round the premises where the case occurred and all houses in that zone were being gone through. During the house to house inspection the inspectors were making a note of all rat runs and of places where rats might be found. Watch was also being kept in the zone for people who were reported ill.

"I think we have done all we need do, because it is late in the year and the case is not in a really poor district. I don't think there is any cause for alarm and I shall be surprised if there are any further cases," added Dr. Fawcett.

Infected Rat Found.

Continuing he said that all rats found in the area were being carefully watched. One rat had been found in the block where the case occurred and when it was sent down to the Mortuary Dr. Cannon had just informed him that it showed definite signs of plague infection. Therefore, what was a

## TIENTSIN AFFAIR.

WORKERS IMPRISON FIVE  
POLICEMEN.

Tientsin, Aug. 20.

Extraordinary scenes occurred to-day in the premises of the Elbrook Carpet Factory, an American concern, situated in the British Concession.

Following a threatened strike as the result of some dismissals last week, the management decided to close down the factory, but the move was forestalled when the workers, armed with iron bars and bricks, barricaded themselves in. Not content with this they locked in one foreign and four Chinese British Municipal Council police, who had gone to the scene to avert a possible disturbance when the management was to pay off the workers.

The position was very ugly in view of the threatening attitude of the workers, but following a visit by the British and American Consuls, appeals were made to the Chinese authorities, a representative of whom entered the factory disguised as a workman, assuring the workers that their terms would be considered by the management.

The "workman" induced them to open the factory and continue working, and incidentally release the police, who had been prisoners for almost five hours. —Reuter.

## WEATHER FORECASTS.

EMPIRE DELEGATES MEET  
IN CONFERENCE.

London, Aug. 20.

Leading meteorologists of the British Empire have met at the Air Ministry to discuss weather forecasting in its bearing on the Empire generally and aviation and agriculture.

The Air Minister, Lord Thomson, presiding, said he hoped the conference would arrive at some common methods of communicating with ships. He visualized the time when airships and aeroplanes would be guided like ships by meteorological stations.

The conference will sit in private until September 2, and will issue a daily communiqué. —Reuter.

mystery before was now explained as the cause of the case was now found. There were never human cases of plague without infected animals. It seemed likely that in the present case the rat had come off a ship and had made its way to the top floor of the house. The old lady had perhaps been bitten by a flea of it and had been infected. That seemed a roundabout way of contracting the disease, but it was the only way the present case could be explained. The old lady was one of the last persons he would have expected to get it under the circumstances.

Dr. Fawcett again added that he did not think there was any cause for alarm. As far as he could prophesy, and it was almost impossible to prophesy with disease, he did not think there would be any more cases but there might be more infected rats.

Mr. Wong Kwong-tin asked whether a person infected with the disease might die from it in a few months or even in a few years.

The Medical Officer of Health replied that infected persons usually died or recovered in a few days. Plague was a dramatic disease, as a person might be walking about in perfect health one minute and fall dead in the street the next.

Mr. Wong Kwong-tin also asked whether it was possible for a person to be infected a second time. The M. O. H. replied that the disease conferred a certain amount of immunity. He did not know whether or not there were cases on record of the disease being contracted twice.

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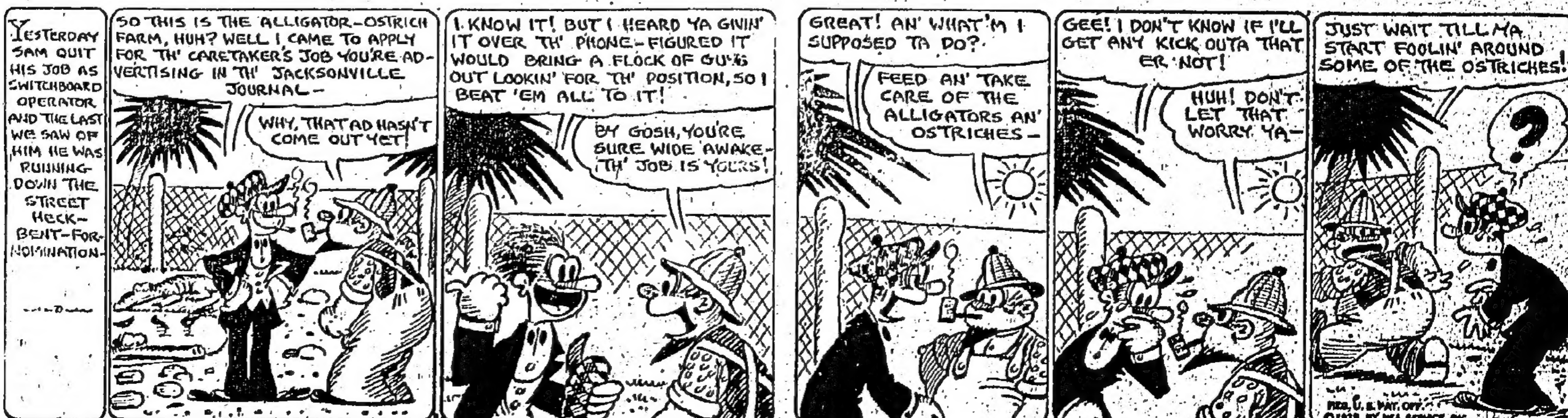


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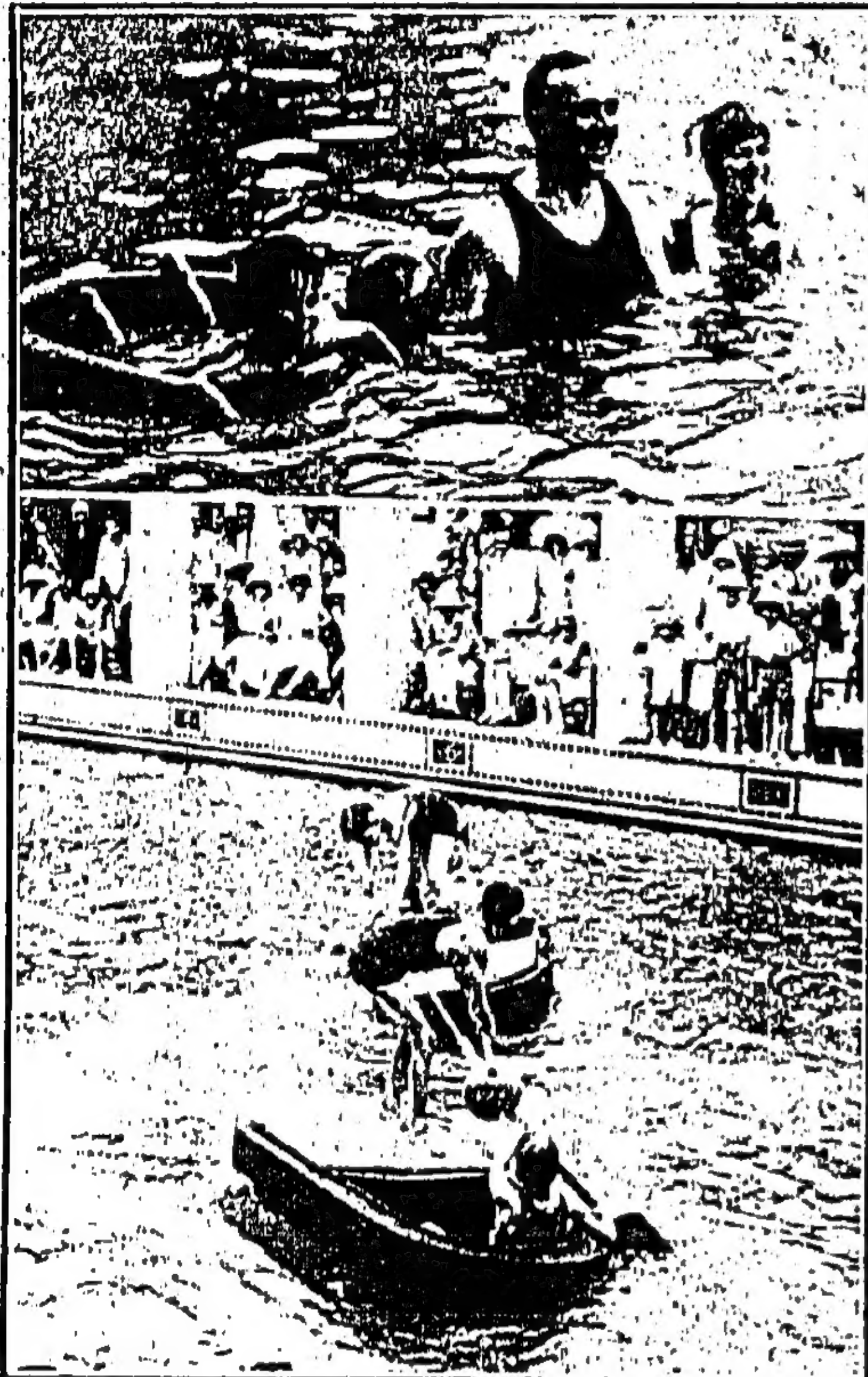




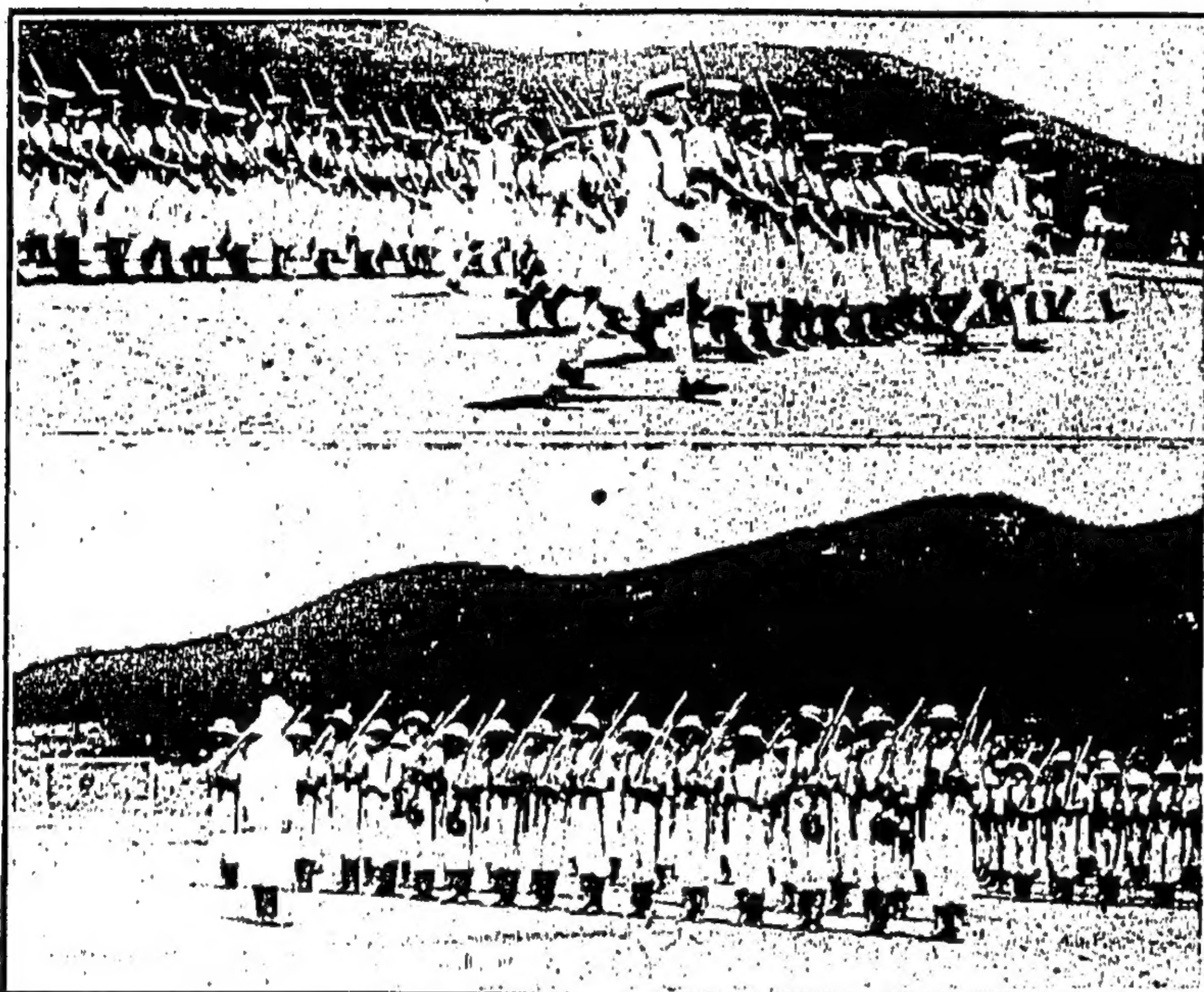
Helen Wang above, who has appeared in Chinese films for the past eight years decided to produce her own pictures. "The Martyr Actress" is the first of this series.



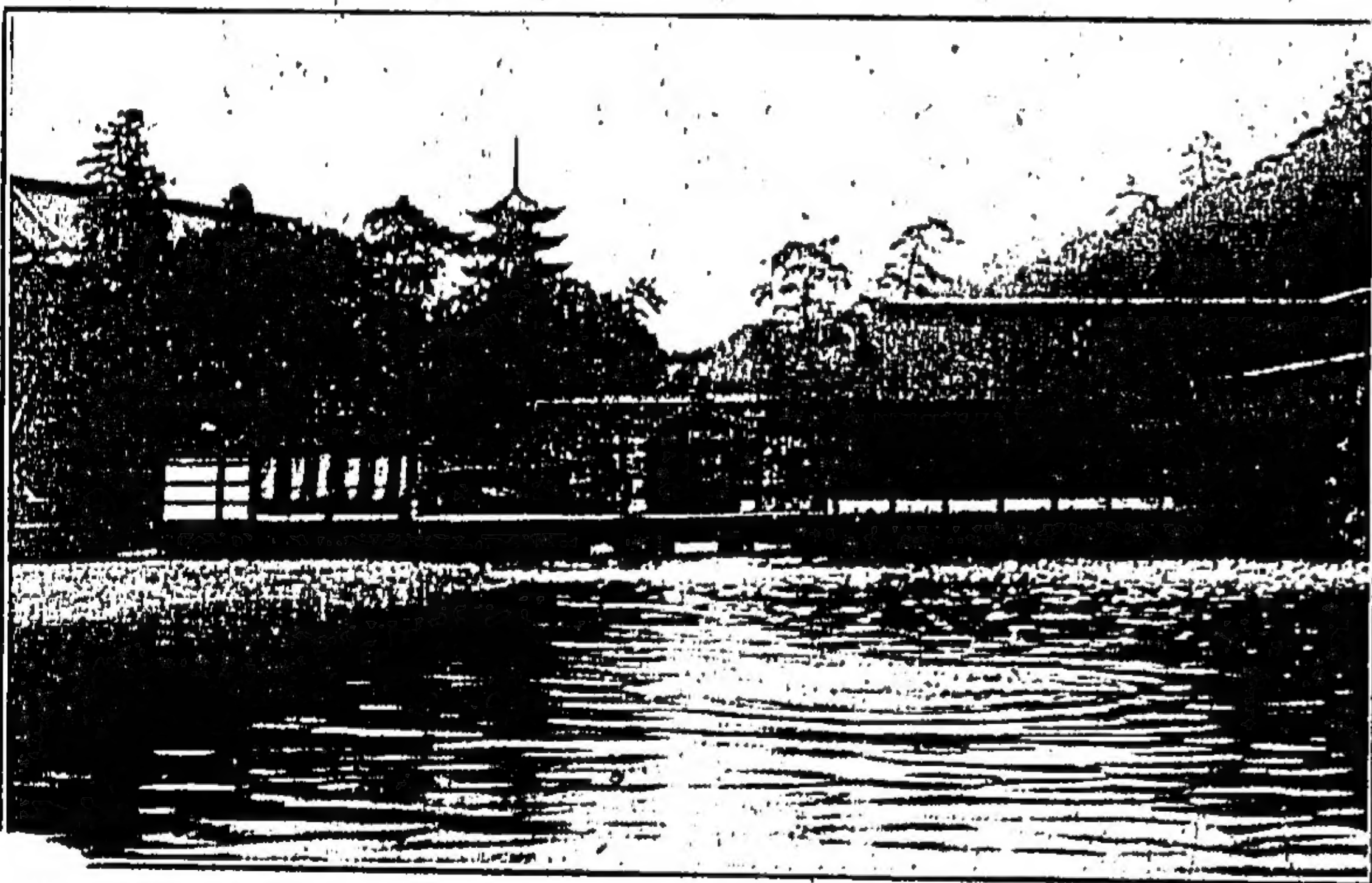
Mr. H. B. Powell, of the Shanghai Fire Brigade, was married at Holy Trinity Cathedral recently to Miss S. K. Bogudzo, the bridegroom's fellow members of the Brigade accompanying him and his bride full honours. Picture shows the newly-married couple leaving the church under an archway of firemen's axes.



At the top, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Yates and their young son at the Columbia Country Club, and, below, one of the most exciting events of the recent aquatic meeting, the Tiltng Contest.



A glimpse of the sailors and their officers from H.M.S. Seefolk at Weihaiwei and (lower picture) marines from H.M.S. Berwick on parade at the British naval station.



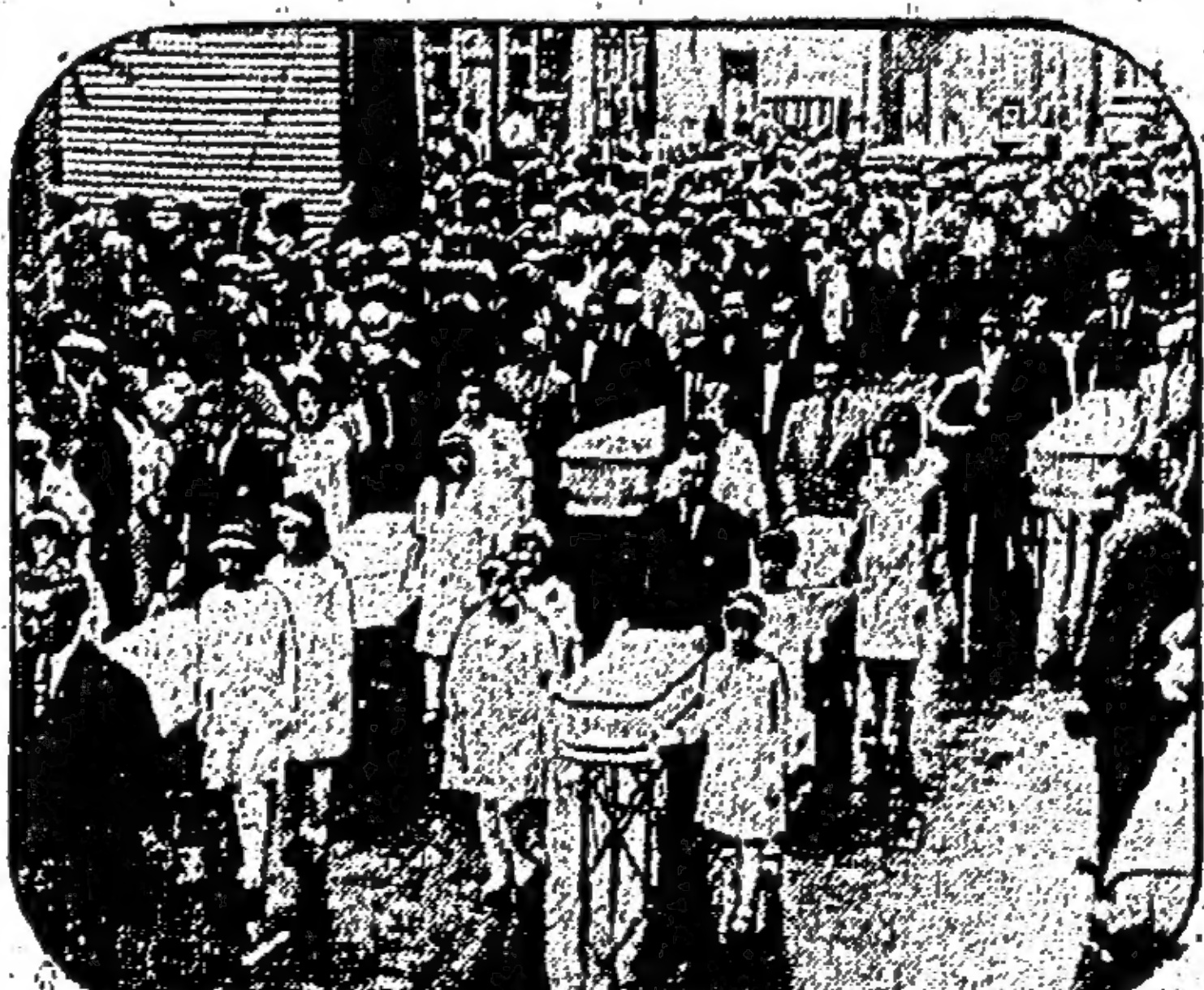
Iteukushima Jinja, the temple of the three goddesses, at Miyajima, Japan, is of special interest to the visitor. Dating from the reign of the Empress Suiko, A.D. 592, its history is filled with fascinating legends. The giant scarlet torii, known to every traveller, stands in the sea at the temple entrance.



The giant torii, or "The Sacred Shinto Gateway," marking the entrance to Miyajima Temple. Miyajima is one of the "San-kei," or Three Beautiful Scenes of Japan.



The years come and the years slip away, but this old man remains in his place at Woosung, familiar to all Shanghai visitors for more seasons than many care to remember.



A scene at Detroit recently at the funeral of a family of six who were mysteriously murdered.

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545, 547, 550.

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the Goods have left the steamer's  
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Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in square feet.	Actual Area.	Upset Price.
No. 224.	Kowloon Island Lot.	N. 8. E. W.	feet feet feet feet	1,200	\$10-50
As per sale plan.					

The friends of the late Mr. Lau  
Tze-chun will be interested to learn  
that his eldest son, Mr. Jerome  
Lau Ming-soi, who returned to the  
Colony a few months ago, is engaged  
to be married. The ceremony will  
take place next Sunday. The late  
Mr. Lau Tze-chun was one of the  
first pupils of St. Joseph's College  
and was a teacher there for about  
25 years. He was a prominent  
member of the Ching Ping Lok and  
many will remember his son, who  
acted at the charity concerts given  
by that Club. Mr. Lau Tze-chun  
was also one of the founders of Wah  
Yan College.

## New Advertisements

## NOTICE.

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Any claims against the late Mr.  
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ed without delay to J. N. Owen,  
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This notice admits no liabilities.

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## NOTICE.

PARTICULARS AND CONDI-  
TIONS of the Sale by Public Auc-  
tion to be held on Monday, the  
26th day of August, 1929, at 3 p.m.,  
at the Office of the Public Works  
Department, by Order of His Ex-  
cellency the Governor of one Lot  
of Crown Land at Mong Kok Tsui,  
in the Colony of Hongkong, for a  
term of 75 years, with the option  
of renewal at a Crown Rent to be  
fixed by the Surveyor of His  
Majesty the King, for one further  
term of 75 years.

Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in square feet.	Actual Area.	Upset Price.
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Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in square feet.	Actual Area.	Upset Price.
No. 226.	Kowloon Island Lot.	N. 8. E. W.	feet feet feet feet	1,200	\$10-50
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in the Colony of Hongkong, for a  
term of 75 years, with the option  
of renewal at a Crown Rent to be  
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Majesty the King, for one further  
term of 75 years.

Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in square feet.	Actual Area.	Upset Price.
No. 227.	Kowloon Island Lot.	N. 8. E. W.	feet feet feet feet	1,200	\$10-50
As per sale plan.					

## WATER CONTROL OFFICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that  
the offices of the above were  
closed on Saturday, the 17th inst.  
All future inquiries should be  
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Public Works Department.

By Order,  
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The Undersigned have received  
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Ophthalmic Instruments, Wines,  
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"A SILLY AND EVIL  
LAW."ATTACK ON PROHIBITION BY  
CLERICAL PAPER.

The Church Times, describing  
prohibition in America as "a silly  
and evil law," gives a word of  
warning to those who might desire  
to make Prohibition a plank in  
British elections. Such people,  
points out the Church Times,  
should study the Prohibition bill of  
America, which last year totalled  
\$185,000,000.

"In addition to this gigantic sum  
the toll of human lives must also  
be considered," continues the  
article, "nor can America set off  
against this loss any great reduc-  
tion in crime. Indeed, the fact re-  
mains that in spite of Prohibition  
the criminal statistics of the  
United States remain, as their  
President has recently observed,  
exceptionally high."

The article states that the idea  
that it was possible to bring up  
the rising generation without  
knowledge of alcohol had proved to  
be absurd. Yet another  
indictment of Prohibition was that  
"this absurd policy" might  
estrangle relations between Canada  
and the States.

"That a foolish law," says the  
Church Times, "should threaten  
the friendly relations between two  
great countries is deplorable.  
While the American people insist  
on keeping this perverse legisla-  
tion on their Statute book, we  
consider that British subjects act  
wrongly in endangering lives by  
helping Americans to violate it;  
but no less blameworthy are the  
foolish people among ourselves  
who give any moral support to a  
silly and evil law."

## Local Option.

In a paragraph of its summary  
the Church Times condemns the  
legislative programme of the Tem-  
perance Council of the Christian  
Churches. This programme em-  
braces Local Option, the bringing  
of clubs into line with public  
houses, and Sunday closing.  
Of local option the Church  
Times says that it is not demo-  
cratic, and insists that a majority  
of 75 per cent. should be essential.  
The club question is condemned  
as "curbing the hospitality of the  
poor," while no rich man's club,  
it states, would be harassed in the  
least.

Sunday closing is condemned in  
the light of Welsh experience,  
which shows that this move has  
merely led to "horrible drunken-  
ness along the border." It would  
be resisted by young men who live  
in lodgings and prejudice them  
against religion.

The paper sums up its attitude  
as follows: "We respect the  
motives of the enthusiasts, but we  
feel it necessary to point out that  
there are two sides to the question  
which they are raising."

CANADIAN LIQUOR  
FOR AMERICA.ALLEGATION THAT EXPORTS  
CROSS THE BORDER.

Fully 90 per cent. of Canada's  
export liquor is destined for the  
United States, according to a state-  
ment by the Association Against  
the Prohibition Amendment, and  
\$30,000,000 worth of it is delivered  
to the United States annually.  
These figures are declared by the  
association to be based upon official  
Canadian statistics showing that  
\$8,000,000 is received in excise tax  
by Canada annually on liquor ex-  
ported to the United States.

"During the year 1927, 823,772  
gallons worth of Canadian liquor was  
officially cleared for export to the  
United States," the association  
says. "To this should be added  
foreign liquors, chiefly Scotch whis-  
kies and French wines and cham-  
pagnes, which were re-exported by  
way of Canada to the United  
States. The re-export liquor des-  
tined for the United States last  
year was valued at \$7,450,741. In  
other words, the annual exports of  
liquor from Canada to the United  
States now total well over \$30,000-  
000."

"The United States enforcement  
officers admit that practically all of  
the liquor officially exported to the  
United States is successfully land-  
ed on the American side. The United  
States Commissioner of Customs,  
Mr. E. W. Camp, reported that  
during the last two fiscal years  
46,694 cases of beer, 6,044 barrels  
of beer and 16,630 cases of whisky  
were confiscated on the Detroit  
border, where the Customs Service  
and Coast Guard are most active.  
This represents only 31 per cent.  
of the beer and 12 per cent. of the  
spirits which were officially cleared  
for export to the United States.  
No record is given of the amount of  
seizures at other ports on the  
Canadian liquor seized inland."

"Commissioner Camp reported,  
however, that, in his opinion, Amer-  
ican seizures do not constitute  
more than from 5 to 10 per cent. of  
the Canadian liquor States."

"Two recent United States grand  
jury investigations have brought out  
some of the implications of liquor  
smuggling over the Canadian bor-  
der. The Buffalo investigation  
brought to light a \$10,000,000 in-  
ternational liquor ring and led to  
the indictment of a score of Cana-  
dian distillers and brewers. In  
Detroit it was found that corrup-  
tion was rife in the United States  
border patrol. It was estimated  
that over \$2,000,000 a year was paid  
in graft to United States agents by  
rumrunners. Indictments and forced  
resignations of Federal agents as a  
result of the investigation have  
necessitated a complete reorganiza-  
tion of the border patrol."

Why Worry?



## POST OFFICE NOTICE

## RADIO NOTICES.

The Radio Office, where full information concerning all wireless ser-  
vices may be obtained at all times, is situated on the ground floor of the  
P. and O. Building in Des Voeux Road, next to the General Post Office.  
Individuals and firms are recommended to register their telegra-  
phic addresses at the Radio Office. No charge is made for this.  
No correspondence is being forwarded via Siberia even if supor-  
scribed "via Vladivostok" except for destinations in Russia.

## INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Date
Shanghai and Swatow	Szechuen	August 21.
Shanghai and Amoy	Luchow	August 22.
Australia and Manila	Tango Maru	August 22
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Wei Hai Wei	Chip Shing	Sun., Aug. 25, 8.30 a.m.
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Nauru and Ocean Island	Apoco	Sun., Aug. 25, 9 a.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Kiangsu	Sat., Aug. 25, 9 a.m.
Shanghai	Luchow	Sun., Aug. 25, 9 a.m.
Port Bayard, Holhow, Pakhoi and Halphong	Tonkin	Sun., Aug. 25, 9 a.m.
Swatow and Amoy	Anhui	Mon., Aug. 26, 3.30 p.m.
Amoy and Japan	Kumsang	Tues., Aug. 27, 8.30 a.m.
Saigon, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Athen II	Tues., Aug. 27, 8.30 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow

Port Bayard, Holhow, Pakhoi and Halphong	Tonkin	Tues., Aug. 27, 1 p.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Sphinx	Tues., Aug. 27, 1 p.m.
Manila	Emp. of Asia	Tues., Aug. 27, 3.30 p.m.
Swatow	Hopang	Wed., Aug. 28, 10.30 a.m.
Straits	Cremer	Thurs., Aug. 29, 10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ning	Fri., Aug. 30, 2 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Kashmir	Sat., Aug. 31, K. P. O. Registration Aug. 31, 9.45 a.m. Letters Aug. 31, 10 a.m. G. P. O. Registration Aug. 31, 9.45 a.m. Letters Aug. 31, 10.30 a.m. (Due Marseilles 28th Sept.)

Amoy and Japan

\*Superscribed Correspondence only.

## COCAINE CHARGE.

MEN ARRESTED IN WEST  
END HOTEL.

Lionel Stanley Thompson, aged  
27, a druggist's assistant, and Rex  
Fell, 27, an actor, both of Wiltshire-  
road, Brixton, S.W., were charged  
at Bow-street with being in posses-  
sion of three packets of cocaine.  
Detective-Sergeant Owen said  
that on a recent Tuesday  
evening he saw the men  
in the Queen's Hotel Leicester-  
square, talking to two women known  
to the police. There were other  
police officers in the bar and Thomp-  
son pointed them out to Fell. When  
the men were arrested Fell said:  
"My pal knows what I am at, but  
he has not got anything out of it.  
I have got it on me. I am only a  
runner, so don't stick me up as a  
big fellow. You know where this  
comes from."  
Several folded papers, all contain-  
ing traces of cocaine, were found  
underneath the piano in Fell's room  
at his lodgings, but nothing incrim-  
inating was found in Thompson's  
room. Three sealed packets of co-  
caine were in Fell's waistcoat  
pocket.  
The men were remanded.

## "LABOUR CAN RULE."

MR. MacDONALD AND  
"MISCHIEVOUS NEWSPAPERS."

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, the  
Prime Minister, speaking at the  
Friends' Meeting House, recently,  
said:  
"What my colleagues and myself  
hope to do is to show the country  
—all interests and all classes—that  
Labour can rule and can rule suc-  
cessfully, and that as a result of  
Labour's rule there will be peace  
both at home and abroad, and that  
the wealth of the country will be  
shared far more justly and far more  
fairly than it has been hitherto."  
I see in mischievous papers like  
the Times this morning an appeal  
to the country to get into a frame  
of mind of general fear. Exactly  
why they cannot tell us. General  
fear, a ghost, a shadow, an emo-  
tion, a tremor! Ask them why and  
the only reason is that we are in  
office.  
No greater disservice can be done  
to this country than the suggestion  
made by the Times this morning  
that industrial sabotage can be  
brought to bear upon the political  
fortunes of the Labour Party.

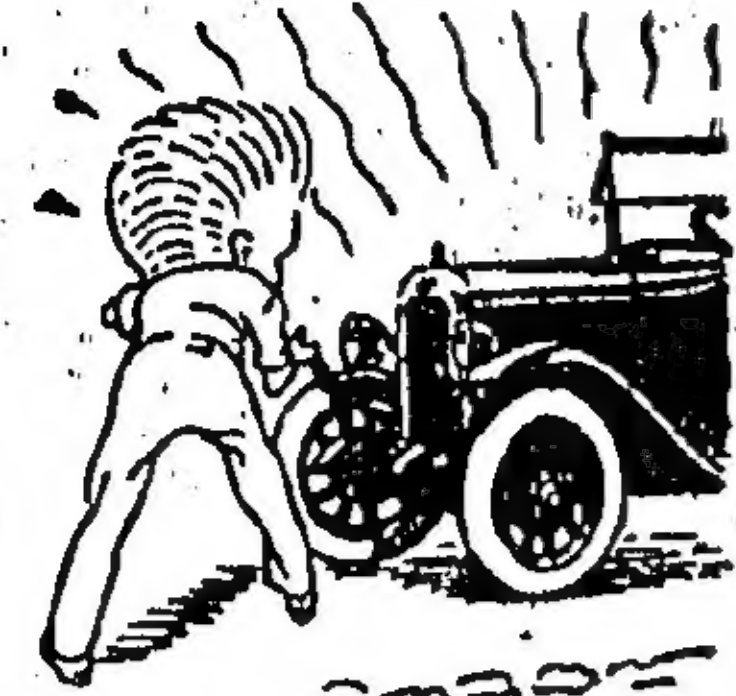


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## WOMAN'S WORLD FOR OUR LADY READERS.



Daintiness, charm and feminine allure are the chief attributes of a chic jacket frock in rose beige crepe that makes much of pleatings. The hat's banding adds pastel colours to the picture. The cabaret gown of black chiffon with pink chiffon yoke has its jacket practically made of lace. Its front edges curve like the skirt's front.

### Classes for Husbands.

#### TALKS ON WIFE-WELFARE.

The writer of an article in *Truth* suggests that some attention should be given to the instruction of young men in all those arts and crafts which go to the making of a helpful husband.

Talks on wife-welfare, he thinks, might form part of the course, at the end of which a student would be expected to know something about the importance of such matters as the handling over of money cheerfully and often, and the correct, or perhaps it would be better to say the diplomatic, use of endearments.

It has long been a sore point with our sex that nearly all the advice available for those who either want to marry or to stay married is poured out upon the one who least needs improving, with the result that the standard of efficiency for wives goes higher every day, while that for husbands is stationary.

There would, of course, be only a very limited time in which a young man would be willing to accept either advice or instruction in the art of pleasing a wife.

For the short space during which he is so badly in love that he almost thinks he may not be quite good enough for the girl of his heart, he would probably be willing to learn, and he might persist in the good ways acquired from force of habit, after marriage.

But you would certainly not get many husbands to read and practice all the good advice that many wives accept and digest gratefully.

They would never spare the time, nor take the trouble.

### Marriage and Gardening.

[By a Bachelor of 40.]

"Whatever keeps a man in the front garden..." says Robert Louis Stevenson—"makes so sure of domestic happiness..." I'm not married myself—yet; but my friends are, and their marital crises are getting on my nerves. So, after reading that sentence, I've drafted a scheme for "Compulsory Gardening" throughout England, and it's going up to the new Government.

In that most wonderful and human of plays "Journey's End," although the scene is a dug-out in the front line in France, there is very little talk about the war, but a great deal about gardening.

There they are, quite ordinary men—we have all met their type, that's the beauty of it—meeting death like heroes, in spite of nerves and various dispositions, and at least four of them were interested in gardening.

It all goes to show that if every man were forced by law to work so many hours a day in a garden, he'd lose a lot of those moods and complexes that spoil peace and happiness. There'd be fewer divorces, fewer golf widows, and less club gossip.

First a man would get fit—you can't help doing that if you garden. Then he'd get a bit interested; flowers, cabbages, slugs, and wire-worms are the most absorbing things. Then he'd get madly keen on growing things better than the chap next door.

That would lead him to discussing things with his wife, even if he'd hardly spoken to her, for years, because she'd be the only person "handy," and you've got to discuss things in gardening with someone. And, after all,

### Today's Recipes.

#### Pineapple Mousse.

One small pineapple, 1-2 cups sugar, 1 tablespoon granulated gelatine, 3 tablespoons cold water, few grains salt, 2 cups whipping cream.

Shred pineapple and cover with sugar. Let stand 30 minutes and heat to the boiling point. In the meantime soften gelatine in cold water for five minutes. Add to boiling pineapple and sugar and remove at once from the fire. Cool and let stand until mixture begins to thicken. Fold in cream whipped until firm with a few grains of salt. Turn into mold or trays and freeze.

Frozen in shallow trays the mousse is attractive cut in squares and served on sponge cake or angel food cut the same size and shape.

#### Fig Blanc-Mange.

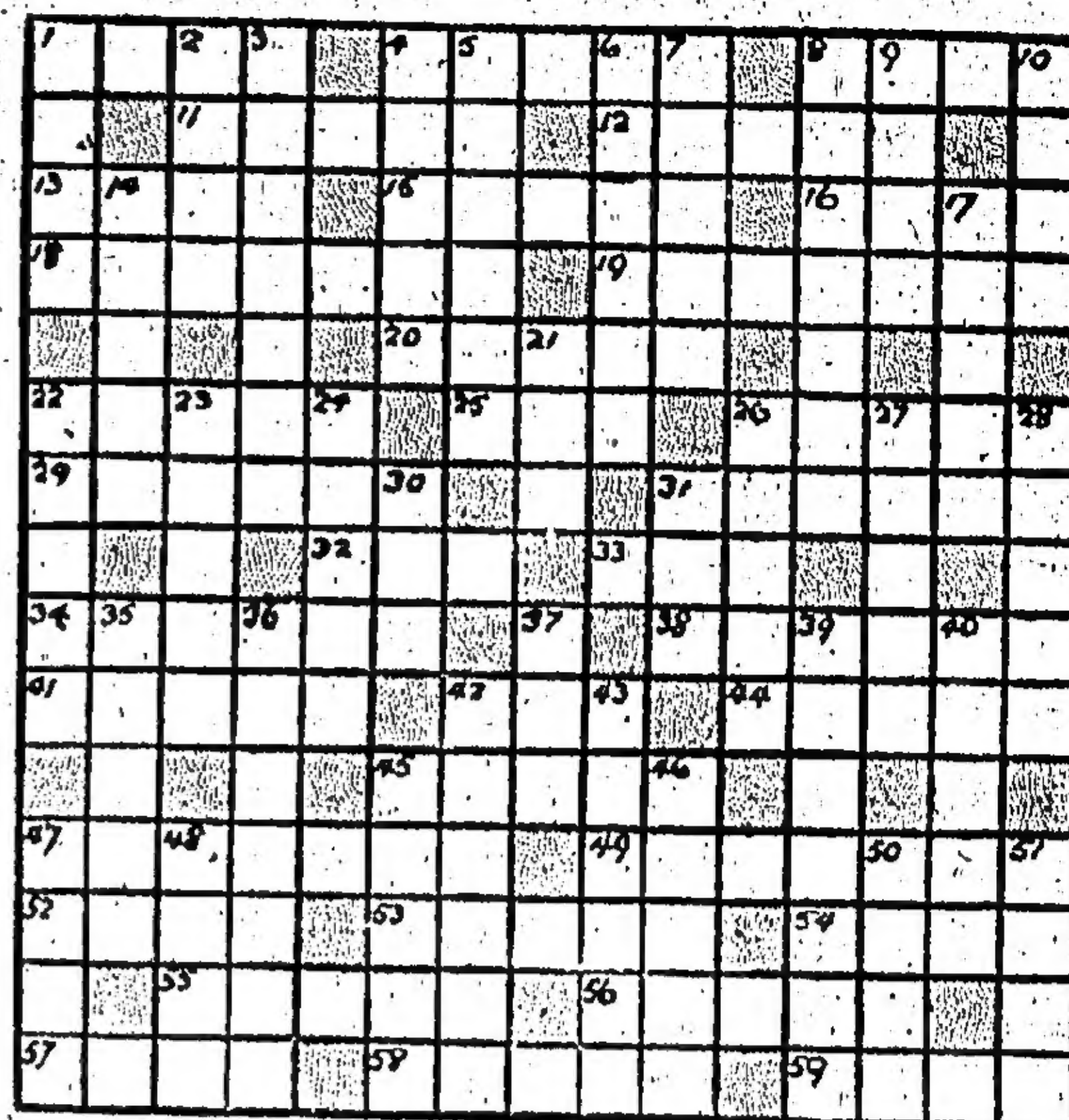
Two cups milk, 1-2 cup Irish Moss, 1-2 cup sugar, 1-2 teaspoon salt, 3-4 cup stewed chopped figs, 1 tablespoon lemon juice, 1-4 teaspoon vanilla.

Soak moss 15 minutes in cold water to cover. Drain, pick over and rinse. Add to milk scalded in double boiler and cook in double boiler for 30 minutes. Add salt and strain. Add sugar, figs, lemon juice and vanilla and turn into individual molds. Chill for several hours. Unmold and serve with sugar and cream.

they'd be her flowers, slugs, and wire-worms as much as his.

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- 18 Allured.
- 19 One who gathers.
- 20 Dog leads.
- 22 Hints.
- 25 Health resort.
- 26 Rents.
- 29 Diminish.
- 31 Oppose.
- 32 Fishing implement.
- 33 Meal.
- 34 Sullen.
- 38 Strict Jew.
- 41 Body of men.
- 42 Field.
- 44 Older.
- 46 Hides.
- 47 Catchers of seals.
- 49 Capon.
- 52 Lazy.
- 53 Ridge of sand.
- 54 Gone by.
- 55 Ascend.
- 56 Withers.
- 57 Heads of corn.
- 58 Residences.
- 59 Harvest.

#### Down

- 9 Ireland.
- 10 Antlered animal.
- 14 Meeting point.
- 17 Goes round.
- 21 Liabilities.
- 22 Something that binds.
- 23 Employers.
- 24 Discernment.
- 26 Irritate.
- 28 Sickened.
- 29 Bullock.
- 30 Born.
- 31 Brazilian coin.
- 35 Percolated.
- 36 Stable boys.
- 37 Slimy fish.
- 39 Shave.
- 40 Birds' habitations.
- 42 Tenant.
- 43 Admire.
- 45 Squeeze.
- 46 Male horses.
- 47 Margin.
- 48 Pertaining to wings.
- 50 Comfort.
- 51 Pace.

#### Yesterday's Solution.

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A U ENDURED R H  
RELAX DRIP HIVE  
E BETS SNOWED W  
I ROUSE SALE S  
ENHANCE BEND D  
ADIT HEARSE OAK  
FINED T E DRAPE  
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F BLUE PSALM R  
I POTATO MEET J  
T LAW RAID ARISE  
H W PERSIST N E  
HIED DEEP SUGAR

### BLIND PATIENTS MUTINY.

#### NIGHT ASSEMBLY IN COURTYARD.

Paris, June 28.  
Muthous scenes of an amazing nature have taken place in the National Institution for the Blind, near the Invalides. Some 200 blind patients of both sexes assembled last night in the courtyard beneath the windows of the director's office and clamoured for his resignation.

An official of the Ministry of Health who addressed them persuaded them to return to their quarters, which they did only after a noisy demonstration in the corridors. The Institution, which educates blind people between the ages of 10 and 21, has been experiencing trouble for the past 18 months, repeated acts of indiscipline and even of open mutiny having taken place. Recently matters assumed a still more grave aspect when a serious fire broke out in the school. At 4 a.m. on Monday last there was an

### HORSE'S MAD GALLOP IN SEASIDE TOWN.

#### GALLANT ACT AVERTS TRAGEDY ON THE SANDS.

London, July 16.  
The gallantry of a young motor-coach driver, George Henry Fassan, prevented loss of life yesterday morning at Ramsgate.

A runaway horse, after a mad gallop through a High-street crowded with holidaymakers, was dashing for the sea wall and the sands when Fassan flung himself at the horse's head and clung to the bridle.

He was dragged 200 yards before he could bring the horse to a standstill, but it did not reach the sands. Visitors who saw his plucky act make a collection for him.

other outbreak and the fireman had difficulty in overcoming it. The authorities are puzzled as to the action to adopt towards the blind mutineers.

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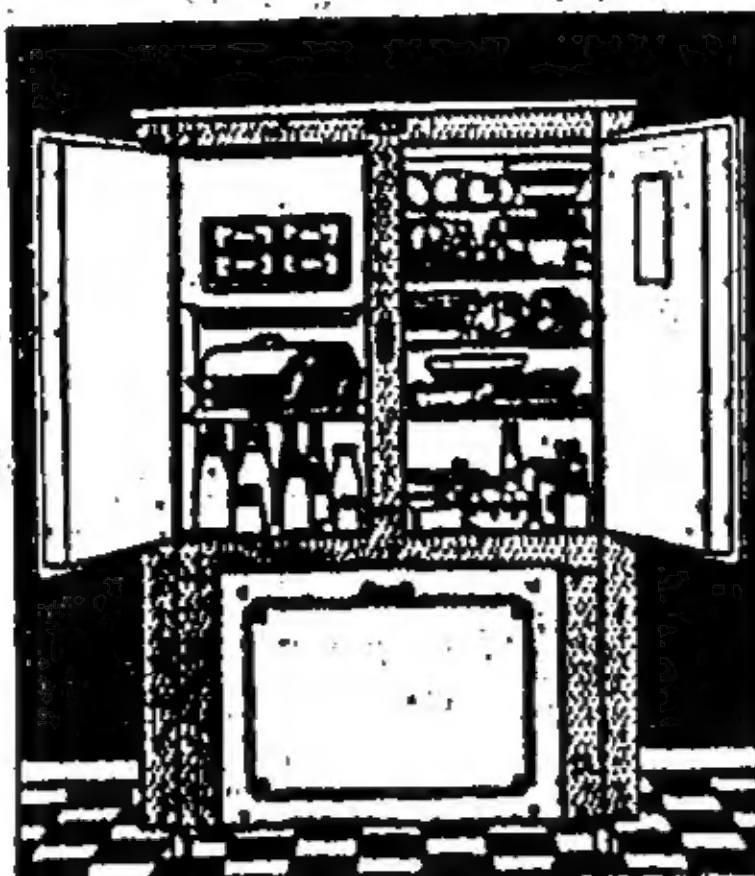
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## THE TRAINING OF TEACHERS.

An important educational experiment is to be made in Rangoon, and one which is not without its interest to Hongkong. It seems that for some time past the existing methods for the training of teachers have not been productive of the best results, and a decision has now been reached to establish a separate Training College, which is to be a constituent part of the University of Rangoon. A sum of thirteen lakhs of rupees is to be spent on the project, and attached to the College will be two practising schools, one for boys and the other for girls. At present, the work of training teachers is vested in a number of Government and aided Normal Schools, but it has been found that this system has become inadequate to the exacting needs of secondary education. Hence the radical change which has now been decided upon.

One of the complaints made against the present system of training teachers in Burma is that there is an excessive literary bias, which has its repercussions in the schools. As a consequence, the curricula of the Secondary Schools have been found to lend too exclusively to the portals of the University and not so much as they should to institutions for vocational training. It is believed that the new College will correct these tendencies and, whilst improving the methods of training teachers, will raise the standard of education in the schools and direct it into more appropriate channels. Despite the tendencies indicated, and also the relatively low standard set up for admission to the University, it appears that more than half of the students who join the Rangoon University fail to pass the intermediate examination, and that of those who do pass less than three-quarters obtain a degree. It is realised that every university has its percentage of wastage, but it would appear that the experience at Rangoon is giving food for serious reflection. As is the case in many educational institutions in the East, the University appears to be dissipating its energies and resources on a good deal of unprofitable material. According to Sir Charles Innes, the Governor of Burma, far too many students spend one, two, and it may be

even three or four years, in comparatively ineffective University studies. Not that their time is entirely wasted, for the value of university life does not wholly lie in the learning acquired, but it is felt that many of the students would be far better employed in vocational training for a livelihood.

The problem of securing vocational teachers here in Hongkong is met by the scheme under which graduate students go into training at the local University, all of these being eventually absorbed into the scholastic staffs of the Colony. The results, we believe, are far from unsatisfactory, although the trend of educational thought nowadays is that for teachers in parts of the Empire where the bilingual factor is encountered, nothing could be better than the taking of a graduate course in teaching in the Old Country. By this means, not only are the latest methods encountered, but, what is very essential, a command of colloquial English is acquired. Every day it is becoming more and more realised that teaching is a highly specialised art, and, apart from any natural abilities which he or she may possess, it is eminently desirable that the present-day teacher should be thoroughly grounded in what may be termed the mechanics of the profession.

## The Sino-Soviet Imbroglio.

With or without formal declaration, the quarrel between Russia and China appears to be drifting to the point of actual war. Clashes, minor or otherwise, are a daily occurrence, and a still more ominous sign is the failure of either country to make any sincere effort to achieve a settlement of their differences. What is really happening in Manchuria remains a Mukden secret but we may take it for granted that a great deal is going on along her three thousand miles of largely inaccessible frontier which would throw light upon an apparently threatening situation. Innumerable reports come through daily of Soviet incursions and fierce engagements with Chinese defenders, of the looting and burning of Chinese villages by Russian invaders, of the capture and subsequent evacuation under pressure of fairly big Chinese cities, and of sputtering hostilities between rival forces it was more important points. It has to be borne in mind, however, that the world is indebted to solely Chinese sources for these reports, and while classified as official, they should be accepted with a certain amount of reserve. Moscow denies the allegations, but against what we have foreign correspondents in Harbin pointing to the significance of the fact that Harbin is swarming with refugees from Manchuria and Khailar. The natural inference is that there is no smoke without fire and that Russia is playing a dangerous game. We prefer, for the time being, to take it that the Soviet Government is making what it considers to be necessary sacrifices of warlike patriotism for the gratification of its citizens, feeling assured that like itself, China is not possessed of sufficient funds to embark on a big campaign. One other safeguard against war is to be found in the lawless state of the country where the fighting is taking place. Incidents which on another frontier, in other parts of the world, would inevitably lead to war, can be smoothed over in Manchuria if the desire is there. The situation, however, is growing serious and it is almost time that the attention of the Moscow Government was once again called to her obligations under the Kellogg Pact. And China should be persuaded that the time has come when, if she really means to do so, the matter should be submitted to the League of Nations. The issue is simple enough, and it could be readily determined by the Permanent Court of International Justice at The Hague.

## DAY BY DAY.

I HATE TO SEE A THING DONE BY HALVES; IF IT BE RIGHT, DO IT BOLDLY; IF IT BE WRONG, LEAVE IT UNDONE.—GILPIN.

A Chinese case of typhoid was reported yesterday.

Sub-Lieut. H. G. A. Lewis has been appointed to H. M. S. Sterling and Sub-Lieut. J. N. N. Synnott to Somme.

The motor vessel Formosa (Swedish East Asiatic Co.) left Hamburg on the 15th instant and is due here on September 27th.

The engagement is announced and the marriage will shortly take place between J. Norman Milne, of Teluk Anson, and Barbara Mary Theresa, only daughter of the late Mr. C. H. Grace, of Hongkong and S. Devon, England, and of Mrs. Grace, of Milne, Negri Sembilan. Mr. Milne is the well-known Perak hockey player.

In connexion with the fatal dispute at the Mongkok Market on Monday between two foks of a staff, the alleged assailant was formally charged before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning with manslaughter, and was remanded for one week. The injuries are alleged to have been caused with a wooden clog.

Convicted of a charge of receiving a shovel knowing it to have been stolen or unlawfully obtained, a marine hawk's foki was fined \$14, or 14 days' hard labour, by Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. It was stated that the defendant was seen trying to chisel out the owner's name from the handle when arrested.

For trespassing on a Government plantation at Kowloon City, two Chinese, who had gone to the hillside to collect firewood, were each fined \$5 on their appearance before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. His Worship pointed out to the defendants that the Government spent a lot of money in planting the trees.

A Japanese ship's hawk was to have been charged before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, with behaving in a disorderly manner while drunk, and assaulting an Indian constable. In Shanghai Street yesterday, but when the case was called it was stated that the defendant was in hospital. The case was adjourned pending his discharge.

The week's report of the Medical Officer of Health contained ten cases of enteric fever and three of small-pox. All were Chinese, with the exception of one British and one Annamite case of enteric. Three of the enteric cases were imported. There were two deaths from small-pox and three from enteric. One was also reported from influenza, which is not notifiable. One Chinese case of small-pox appeared on yesterday's return.

## TRIED TO PREVENT LARCENY REPORT.

## FOKI SENT TO PRISON FOR JEWELLERY THEFT.

An attempt to prevent a larceny from being reported to the Police led to suspicion falling on a carpenter's foki, with the result that the man was arrested and detained for enquiries into the loss of two gold bangles and a gold wrist watch, the property of a carpenter of No. 562, Nathan Road.

The foki, together with an elderly woman, appeared before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning on charges of larceny and alternatively of receiving the stolen articles.

The man admitted the theft, while the woman admitted receiving the articles.

The facts, according to Detective Sergeant Fowle, were that the first defendant worked for the complainant at No. 562, Nathan Road for the past three or four days. Yesterday afternoon the master reported the loss of the jewellery to the police, informing them that he suspected the first defendant, who had volunteered to pay him some money if he refrained from reporting the theft to the police.

The first defendant was detained for enquiries and the police were later taken to Po Hing Fong, where the second defendant was employed as an amah. When questioned about the jewellery, the woman denied all knowledge of the bangles and watch, but subsequently conducted the police to No. 5, Stanton Street, where the missing articles were produced. The first defendant was sentenced to one month's hard labour, while the amah was fined \$10 or 14 days' imprisonment.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

Cheung Chau Ferry Service.

[To The Editor of Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir,—I read with much interest, and not a little amusement the correspondence in your popular paper this afternoon on the above subject, and cannot resist the temptation to enter into the game.

It is evident to all that the grievance aired by your correspondents is nothing but snobbishness in disguise. I cannot for the life of me see why people must look down on those less favoured by Fortune than themselves with evident contempt. I have not had before me at the moment the correspondence on the above subject, but the whole thing centred on the alleged misbehaviour of certain passengers on the launches on the Cheung Chau run. Your correspondents referred to the expectation and nose-blowing of the passengers, and the evil smells emanating from certain quarters of the launches. I see your correspondents must be the most sanitary and hygienic persons in the world, and think it a pity that their services were not enlisted by the owners of the launches in question to give lessons to passengers on the "Art of Travelling and How Not to Misbehave Oneself."

I have been on the Sun Chau but once, and yet I am satisfied that she is the best vessel I have seen for quite a long time. Without exaggeration, I can truthfully say that the Sun Chau can easily compete with any other launches in the Colony owned by any Ferry Companies. As for the cleanliness of the vessel and her passengers, I have often seen worse in some of the launches owned and managed by Companies under European supervision.

One cannot expect miracles to happen nowadays, and the Cheung Chau Ferry Service is comparatively new, and time must be allowed the Company to make improvement. Therefore, in my opinion, I think the Company must not be blamed too much for the conduct of their patrons. It is not an easy task to compel the passengers to do this and not to do that, without losing their patronage. True, the comfort of other passengers must be catered for, but if those who have any objection to make, would write to the owners of the launches instead of airing their grievances in the Press, they would be doing a greater and better service to all. I am sure the Cheung Chau Ferry Company will be only too glad to welcome any advice for the improvement of their services to their patrons, if such advice is given in the proper spirit, without that contempt which is the keynote of the letters appearing in the Press during the last few days.

You will see from my name that I have no connexion with the people who run the Cheung Chau Service, as it cannot be said that I have an axe to grind when writing to the Press. I write to the Press because I think your correspondents have not been fair when they wrote as they did. To most readers their letters seem a direct accusation on the neglect of the owners to look after the comfort of their patrons when such is not the case.

Apologising for taking up so much of your space, and hoping that your correspondents will not sling mud at those who cannot retaliate.—Yours, etc.

LOK SHIN-CHEUNG.

Hongkong, Aug. 20th, 1929.

## "SIEGE."

## DRAMATIC FILM AT THE MAJESTIC.

"One of the most dramatic pictures of the year" is the verdict of many who have seen "Siege," the Universal-Jewel feature starring Virginia Valli and Eugene O'Brien, now being screened at the Majestic Theatre, Kowloon.

Adapted from the novel by Samuel Hopkins Adams, and directed by Svend Gade, noted Danish artist, this unusual production tells a dramatic story of the clash of personalities in a conventional, aristocratic New England family.

How an independent, strong-willed young man, introduced by marriage into the family, refuses to bend to the Puritanical conventions of the clan, and the iron rule of a cruel, selfish old woman who dominates it, is realistically and dramatically told.

Miss Valli has the strongest role of her career as the young wife, with Eugene O'Brien as the husband. Mary Alden adds many laurels to her fame as a character actress in the role of the dominant leader of the Ruyland family. The supporting cast includes Marc MacDermott, Beatrice Burnham, Helen Dunbar and many others.

## The Very Idea!

The devotion of scientists to their task is proverbial, but it is something out of the ordinary for a man of science to carry experiment to the length of inhaling what colleagues assured him was a fatal dose of prussic acid gas. Yet that was what an English professor did during the war. The story was told by Captain J. J. Eather while lecturing to the United Service Institute in Melbourne recently on anti-gas. At one stage of the war the French proposed to use volatile prussic acid, one of the deadliest poisons known, against the Germans. They maintained that mixture of one part of the gas in 2,000 of air would cause death. The British professor said it would not. Though experiment had proved that a one-in-1700 mixture was as fatal as the electric chair, and almost as quick, the professor consented to undergo a test to show who was right, with his own life the forfeit in the case of failure. With two dogs he entered a chamber filled with a one-in-2000 mixture, and the French prepared to give him an honoured funeral. After but a few seconds both the animals were lying dead, but the daring scientist eventually emerged unharmed—to receive the O.B.E. for his effort. The French relinquished their plans to use prussic acid.

Doctor (inquiring after boy who swallowed a shilling)—"How is the boy to-day?" Anxious mother—"No change yet."

It is the quaint name that has made Timbuctoo (which modern geography spells Timbuktu) one of the slightly comic capitals of the world? Or is it the famous rhyme of Bishop Wilborforce that must, by its slipperiness, have so pained the religious circles of the day:—

If I were a cannosary  
On the plains of Timbuctoo,  
I would eat a missionary,  
Gown, and bands, and hymn-book too.

What other references are there to Timbuctoo in literature? Byron mentions it in "Don Juan," and distorts the accent as he does in "Trafalgar":—

Though travel'd, I never had the  
luck to  
Trace up those shuffly regions,  
Nile and Niger,  
To that impracticable place, Timbuctoo.

Sir Humphry Davy, whose centenary has just been celebrated, was more successful in science than in matrimony. It was his wife who once charged Rogers with speaking ill of her. "Not at all, Madam," replied the poet. "The fact is that I spend my life in defending you."

There is no process of law by which I can make a man work—Mr. J. Sharpe, the Thames magistrate.

Mr. McKenna, the Lambeth magistrate: The constable who has summoned you has not with an accident and is not here. Defendant: Good.

Wives have not to pay their husbands' debts yet.—Judge Cluer at Shoreditch County Court.

Mr. Paine, the East Ham magistrate, to husband summoned by his wife: I dare say, like most women, she has a tongue and uses it.

A party of American tourists, touring Switzerland in a motor coach, had drawn up in a ravine, and the guide once more wilted under the bombardment of questions. "Say!" exclaimed the Cincinnati man next the driver, "where did all those big rocks come from?"

"The glaciers brought them down," replied the guide. "Um!" said the Yankee. "And where are the glaciers?"

"The glaciers!" answered the guide sadly, "oh, they've gone back to bring down some more rocks."

The police at Gisborne (New Zealand) received the shock of their lives, when they arrested a woman, who was begging from door to door, on a charge of vagrancy. Opening the woman's battered hordbag they found a thick roll of bank notes, ranging from 10/- to £20 totalling nearly £600. The woman was sent to a State home, and the money was banked for her.

## WATER LEVELS.

## FOR WEST, NORTH AND EAST RIVERS.

The following table, compiled by the Board of Conservancy Works of Kwangtung, shows the water levels in English feet on the West, North and East Rivers on the dates named:

	Aug. 15th	Aug. 20th
Shiungui	27.8	26.8
Tsingyuen	12.8	12.9
Shamshui	16.1	16.2
Shengkung	6.7	7.0



**JUNK OWNERSHIP PROBLEM.****CRAFT ORDERED TO BE RELEASED BY COURT.****LICENCE STILL HELD.**

Under an order made by the Police Judge in the Summary Court this morning, a junk, seized for debt, is to be released by the Court, but the licence for it is to be retained in the custody of the Court.

The junk has figured prominently in actions heard during this year in the Summary Court. It was sought, in the original action, to decide the ownership of the craft, but even after to-day's proceedings the ownership remains in doubt and the junk is now freed.

The matter arose out of three claims against a man called Chau Ho on promissory notes. Judgment was given for the three plaintiffs and after the junk had been seized, an application for its sale was made. When the case was last before the Court in July, the Police Judge intimated that it would have to be established that the junk was the property of the debtor.

**Witness's Claim.**

Mr. J. M. D'Almeida Remedios to-day tendered evidence of this, calling a canvasser of the Hop Wo firm, 246, Hollywood Road, who stated that Chau Ho was the owner of the junk, which was used by his firm to transport cargo to China.

Witness produced various books which his Lordship ruled out as inadmissible, saying that Chau Ho might have signed any number of documents and yet not be the owner of the junk.

The witness further stated that Chau Ho told him that he owned the junk.

The manager of another firm of freight brokers was also called and said he knew Chau Ho. He knew him to be the master of the junk, but witness said he could not discriminate between owner and master.

**Insufficient Evidence.**

His Lordship still held that the junk could not be sold on the evidence of ownership which had been tendered.

Mr. Remedios replied that once the junk was freed, it would be sailed away. Although the licence might remain with the Court, the junk might be sailed away and might evade a police launch. The man would probably go on board at night and clear off.

Mr. Remedios said the judgment creditors had gone to the trouble to keep a watchman on board the junk, and he could not see how he could further satisfy his Lordship regarding ownership. His Lordship said that he did not think releasing the junk deprived Mr. Remedios from the right of seizing it again.

**Court's Decision.**

The order for sale of the junk was refused, and an order was made for the vessel to be released, the licence being retained by the Court under execution until a further order. A further order was made for execution to be amended by restoring direction to arrest judgment debtor.

His Lordship added that he was really holding the junk licence pending a claim by it. He could not release the licence until he found out to whom it belonged. He was sorry that he could not do what Mr. Remedios wanted, but the first step made was a false one, and that was made by Mr. Remedios's client.

**THE UNEMPLOYED PROBLEM.****LATEST FIGURES REVEAL AN INCREASE.**

London, Aug. 20. The total number of unemployed on August 12th was 1,169,300. This was 15,171 more than the fortnight before and 144,859 less than the year before.

The total was exclusive of persons rendered idle by the dispute in the cotton industry.—*British Wireless.*

**AMERICAN TOURISTS GOING HOME.****NINE THOUSAND ARRIVE IN A DAY.**

New York, Aug. 20. The homeward rush of American tourists from Europe has begun with the arrival to-day of nine thousand on board the great liners, Majestic, Bremen, Ile de France and others.—*Reuter's American Service.*

**DISFIGUREMENT OF MEMORIAL.****CHINESE CHARACTERS ON A KOWLOON MONUMENT.****WHAT VISITORS SAW.**

During the recent visit to the port of the French flagship Waldeck Rousseau, a detachment of sailors, under the command of Flag-Lieutenant De Bryns, visited and placed a wreath on the memorial erected near the Diocesan Girls' School in Kowloon to the memory of the French seamen who lost their lives when the destroyer Fronde sank in the disastrous typhoon of 1906.

Now that the Waldeck Rousseau has left Hongkong, attention may be drawn to a circumstance which must have left a very poor impression on our French visitors regarding the Colony's care of its monuments. We refer to the fact that on the marble tablet of the memorial which bears an inscription in French, a number of Chinese characters have been printed in black paint, causing a most objectionable disfigurement of the memorial.

What the precise import of the printed characters is, we cannot say, but whatever it may be, no credit attaches to the authorities for permitting the disfigurement to remain. Incidentally, on the wall of the Diocesan School opposite the memorial, there are also a number of other Chinese characters, similarly painted. We suggest that the least that the Government can do is to give this Kowloon memorial a thorough clean-up, and, more particularly, to remove the Chinese characters. It will be recalled that some few years ago, British and American sailors, disgusted with the dirty condition of the Wanchai monument, themselves undertook the task of cleaning it, adding a wreath of tribute to those in whose honour the memorial was erected, when they had completed their self-imposed task. It would have been rather humiliating had the French sailors on Sunday morning done likewise at the Fronde memorial.

The Kowloon memorial was erected by the British community after the disastrous typhoon of 1906 and in May, 1908, it was unveiled by Mlle. Morel, daughter of the Governor of Tongking. It is a granite obelisk, with inscriptions in English and French on marble tablets near the base of the monument.

**MILLION DOLLARS DAMAGES.****"DRY" CHIEF'S CLAIM ON "MOPPING MABEL."**

St. Louis, Aug. 20. Mrs. Mabel Walker Willebrandt, formerly Assistant United States Attorney-General in charge of the enforcement of the Prohibition Act, is being sued for damages of \$1,000,000, by the former Chief of the St. Louis Federal Prohibition Department, on the ground that she charged him with "official misconduct while in office" in a series of articles on Prohibition, which she is writing in the American newspapers. Mrs. Willebrandt, who is called "Mopping Mabel" by the "Wets," resigned her post shortly after President Hoover took over the Administration.—*Reuter's American Service.*

**EXPERIMENTAL AIR MAIL.****FROM IRISH PORT TO LONDON.**

London, Aug. 20. It was officially stated in Dublin to-day that the Irish Free State Post Office has sanctioned the experiment of transferring mails from the North German Lloyd liner Karlsruhe, when she arrives at Galway, to an aeroplane which will proceed to London, piloted by Colonel Russell, of the Free State Air Force.

Correspondence will be impressed with a rubber stamp bearing the words "Experimental Air Mail: Galway to London." No special charge will be made. The liner is expected on Monday.—*British Wireless.*

**CALCUTTA JUTE MILL STRIKE.****AGITATORS CREATING NEW DIFFICULTIES.**

Calcutta, Aug. 20. Over seventy thousand jute workers are now idle, apparently owing to the misunderstanding of the terms of the settlement of the recent strike. A speedy settlement is hoped for, but interested agitators are creating difficulties.—*Reuter.*

**PRISON AND BIRCH FOR THIEF.****MAXIMUM SENTENCE ON A PICKPOCKET.****ALERT WATCHMAN.**

The maximum sentence of a year's hard labour and 24 strokes of the birch was inflicted by Mr. T. M. Hazlerigg, at the Central Police Court this morning, on a pickpocket, who was convicted of the theft of a purse from a small boy.

This was the second time within a week in which the maximum sentence had been passed, the first having been the case in which a man snatched a handbag from a woman.

The police stated that a district watchman who witnessed the theft arrested the pickpocket in Kwong Yuen Street East, and released him.

**THE KING RETURNING TO HEALTH.****Doctors Issue Official Bulletin.****SANDRINGHAM SOON.**

London, Aug. 20. The following bulletin was issued from Buckingham Palace this evening:

"The progress of the King's restoration to health continues, and His Majesty will be able to proceed to Sandringham in a few days.

"The wound is steadily diminishing and is healing satisfactorily. His Majesty is deriving benefit from breathing and other physical exercises, and both bodily and mental activity can now be undertaken without undue fatigue."

(Signed) Stanley Hewett, Hugh Rigby, Dawson of Penn.—*Reuter.*

turned the purse to the boy, who up till then was not even aware of his loss. It was a fruitless enterprise on the part of the thief, for the purse was empty.

His Worship viewed the offence as a serious one, from the fact that the victim was a mere child, being under 12 years of age.

The prosecuting police officer informed his Worship that the present was the third time on which this district watchman had arrested a man for such larceny, and he asked permission to bring such commendable conduct before the notice of the Captain Superintendent of Police.

His Worship endorsed the suggestion, and personally commended the watchman.

**TYPHOON NEAR PRATAS.**

The royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone remains over Japan and has weakened. A depression or typhoon has formed about 120 miles S.E. of the Pratas and appears to be moving slowly westward.

The forecast till noon to-morrow is:—North-East winds, Fresh; fair at first, cloudy with rain later.

**BANISHEE SENT TO PRISON.****MAN WHO CAME BACK TWO DAYS TOO SOON.****A THEFT RECALLED.**

When the case in which a Chinese was charged with returning from banishment two days too soon was mentioned before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning, Detective Sergeant Fowle said that he had received instructions to press the charge.

His Worship remarked, on seeing the defendant's criminal record, that accused had received a sentence of twelve months' hard labour for theft in 1918. His Worship fancied that it must have been a bad theft.

Of course, said his Worship, the reason the police were pressing the case was, because, there were suspicious circumstances connected with the man's arrest, but his Worship did not think he could take that into consideration. He thought he was also bound to assume that the defendant had only just returned to the Colony. Of course the police might feel that he had been here for months.

His Worship said he would assume accused had just returned and also assume that he was not doing anything for which he could be charged.

Sentence of one month's hard labour was imposed.

**EARLY MORNING ROBBERY.****WOMAN GAGGED & RELIEVED OF BANGLES.**

The police received a report this morning to the effect that a robbery had occurred in the western district.

A Chinese woman, living on the second floor of No. 45, Tung Street, says that at 6.45 this morning, she was in the kitchen, when, through a door which commands a view of the staircase, she saw a man going up to the third floor. Presently he reappeared and came into the kitchen where she was sitting, and, by the use of threats, forced her to submit to being gagged with a piece of cloth.

The robber was joined by another man, who took a pair of bangles from her wrists, these being valued at \$65. A few minutes later, both men ran down the stairs and made good their escape.

In a statement to the police, the woman says that neither of the men was armed.

**DRAMATIC TURNS AT THE HAGUE.***(Continued from Page 1.)*

been unable to agree on the amount of the allocations which are likely to accrue therefrom. It is learned that as the result of this failure, majority and minority reports will be issued.

Later. One of the British Treasury experts has confirmed the reports that the Experts have been unable to agree upon the value of the "concessions" offered by the other four creditor Powers to Great Britain.

Consequently, the Ministers of the Powers concerned must themselves grapple with the problem.—*Reuter.*

**OBLIGATIONS OF LANDLORDS.****MESSRS. E. D. SASSOON & CO. SUMMONED.****BASEMENT DISPUTE.**

At the instance of the Sanitary Department, Messrs. E. D. Sassoon and Co., as owners of No. 11, Wo Hop Street, were summoned before Mr. T. M. Hazlerigg, at the Central Police Court this morning, for allowing the basement of the building to be occupied as a workshop.

The summons, it was explained, was brought under Section 45 of the Public Health and Building Ordinance.

Appearing for the defendant Company, Mr. A. S. Gubbay said the summons came as a surprise to them, as their position was that of landlords, who had rented out the building as residential quarters. He believed that the tenant had, in turn, rented it to a sub-tenant. The owners were not to know what had transpired on the premises.

Inspector Foster, of the Sanitary Department, said that Messrs. E. D. Sassoon and Co., as owners of a great deal of property, were notified that the basements of their buildings were not to be used for any other purpose than that of storage. The position was clearly defined, but at the moment he (Inspector Foster) could not quote the law on the subject, and as other cases of a similar nature were impending, he would ask the Court to adjourn the case for one week to enable the Head of the Sanitary Department to prepare his case.

Mr. Gubbay:—The people themselves sub-let the premises, and what they do with them they never let us know. This is the first time we have heard of it. We have a lot of property we cannot go and inspect all of it.

Mr. Hazlerigg said a landlord reserved the right to see that his place was kept in good order, but he had no general right to go round and pry into it at night or at any other time of the day to see what the people were doing.

Inspector Foster said, that as landlords, it was the duty of the defendants to visit the premises and see that the basement was kept locked up.

The Magistrate:—Still I have got to be satisfied on that. I would like to hear argument on that. I shall adjourn the case for one week.

**ARREST REVEALS BURGLARY.****BANISHEE GETS A YEAR'S HARD LABOUR.**

The arrest of a suspect at Shaohkwan in possession of stolen property has cleared up a burglary committed earlier at No. 39, Main Street, in that district.

It was found that the tenants there had been robbed of property and money, amounting to a total value of \$200, by a cat-burglar, who had broken into the house and made his escape, unobserved.

When the suspect was arrested, and interrogated with regard to the origin of the property found on him, he confessed to having committed the burglary. It was also found that he was an undesirable, with a bad record, who had been expelled from the Colony.

The case was heard before Major C. Wilson this morning, when the prisoner was sentenced to three months' hard labour for burglary, and a further nine months' for disobeying an order of banishment.

**EXCHANGE RATES.**

—London, Aug. 20.

Paris	123.845
Brussels	34.87
Amsterdam	12.10 1/4
Berlin	20.255
Copenhagen	18.215
Vienna	34.42
Helsingfors	192.3
Lisbon	108.20
Bucharest	817
Buenos Aires	474
Shanghai	274 1/4
Yokohama	171.3 1/16
New York	484 25/32
Geneva	25.205
Milan	92.725
Stockholm	38.005
Oslo	18.205
Prague	163 1/2
Madrid	33.005
Athens	375
Rio	5 1/2
Bombay	1/6 25/32
Hongkong	1/11 1/4
Silver (spot)	24.5/16
Silver (forward)	24.7/16

—*British Wireless.***WARSHIPS IN PORT.**

The following warships are now in port:

Basin.—H.M. Ships Tamar and Moth.  
North Arm.—H.M. Ships Sterling and Sandwich.  
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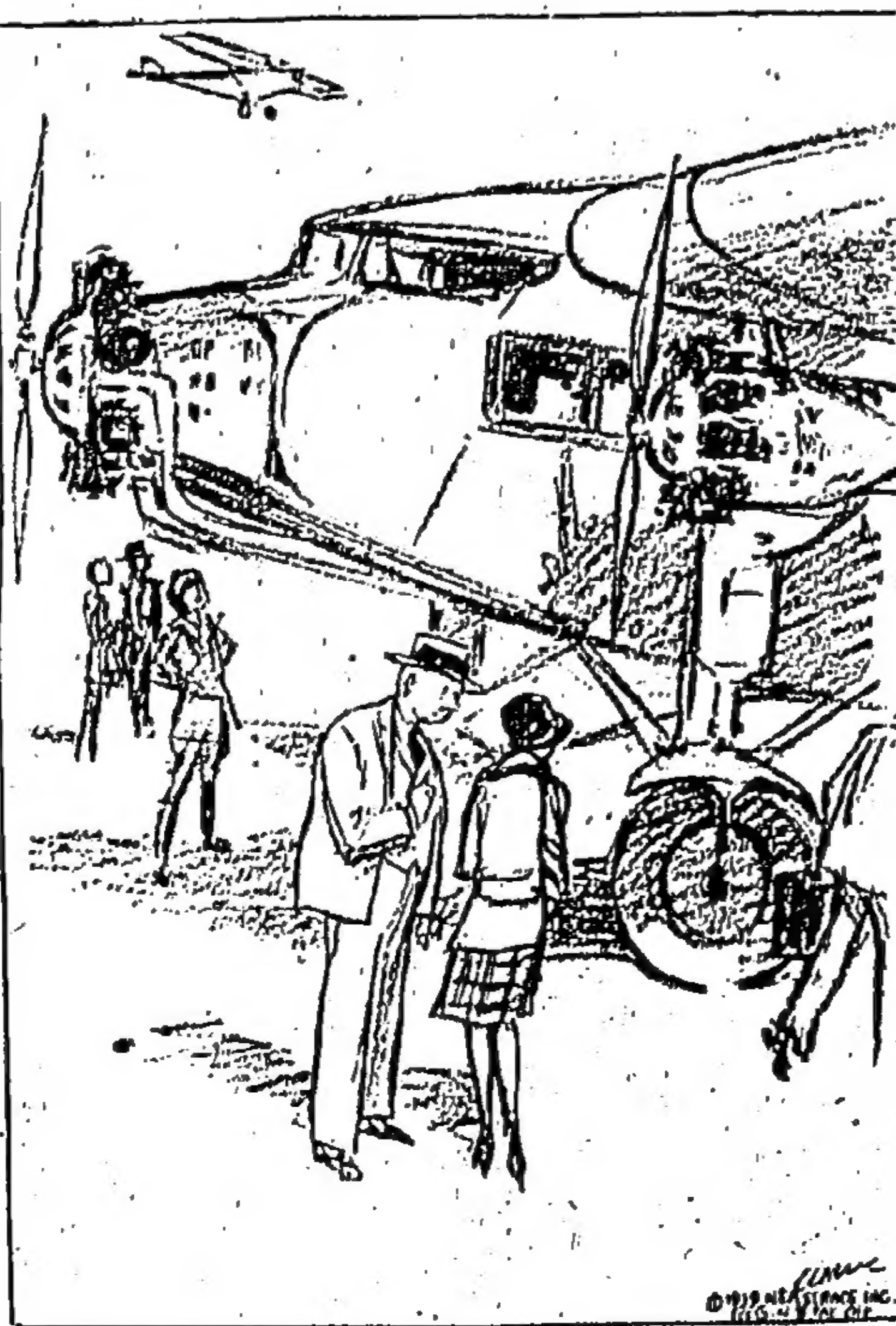
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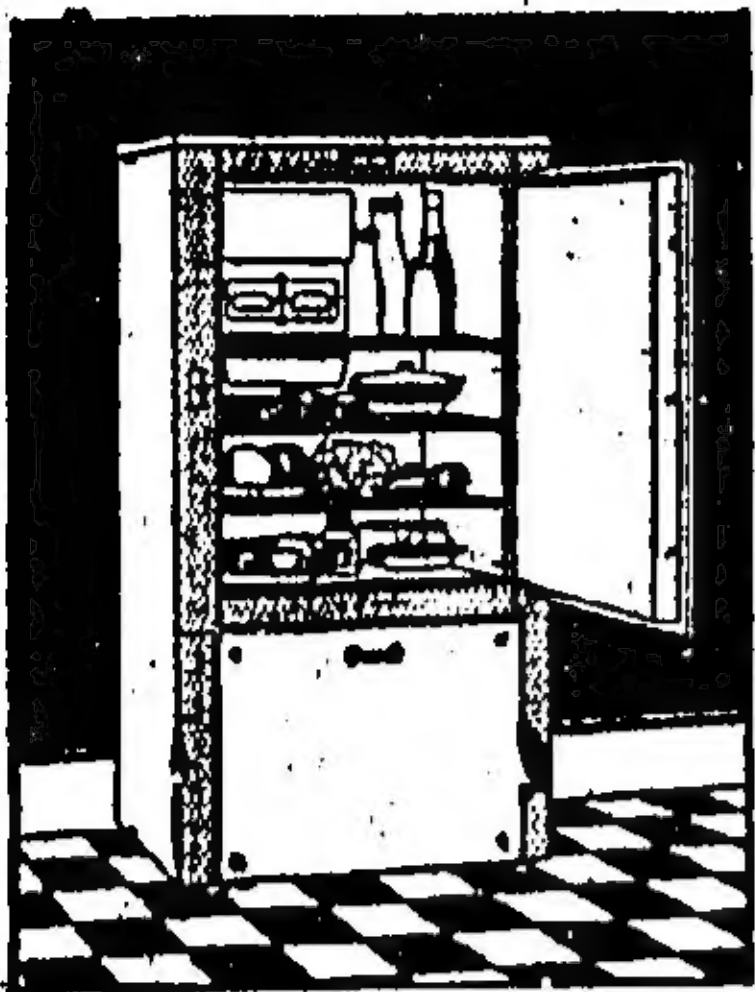
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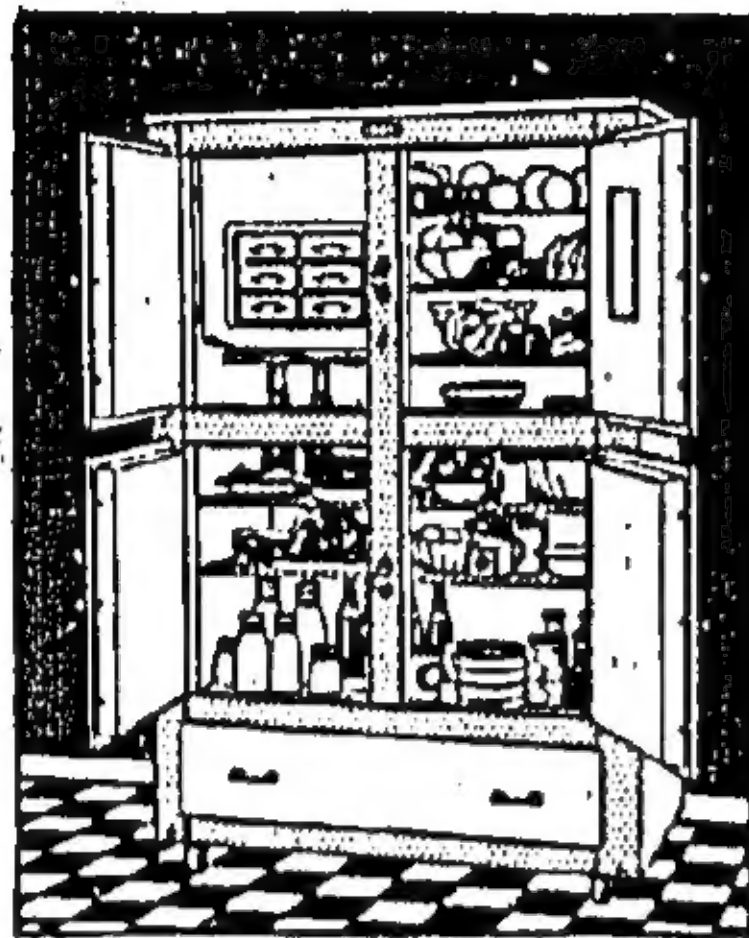
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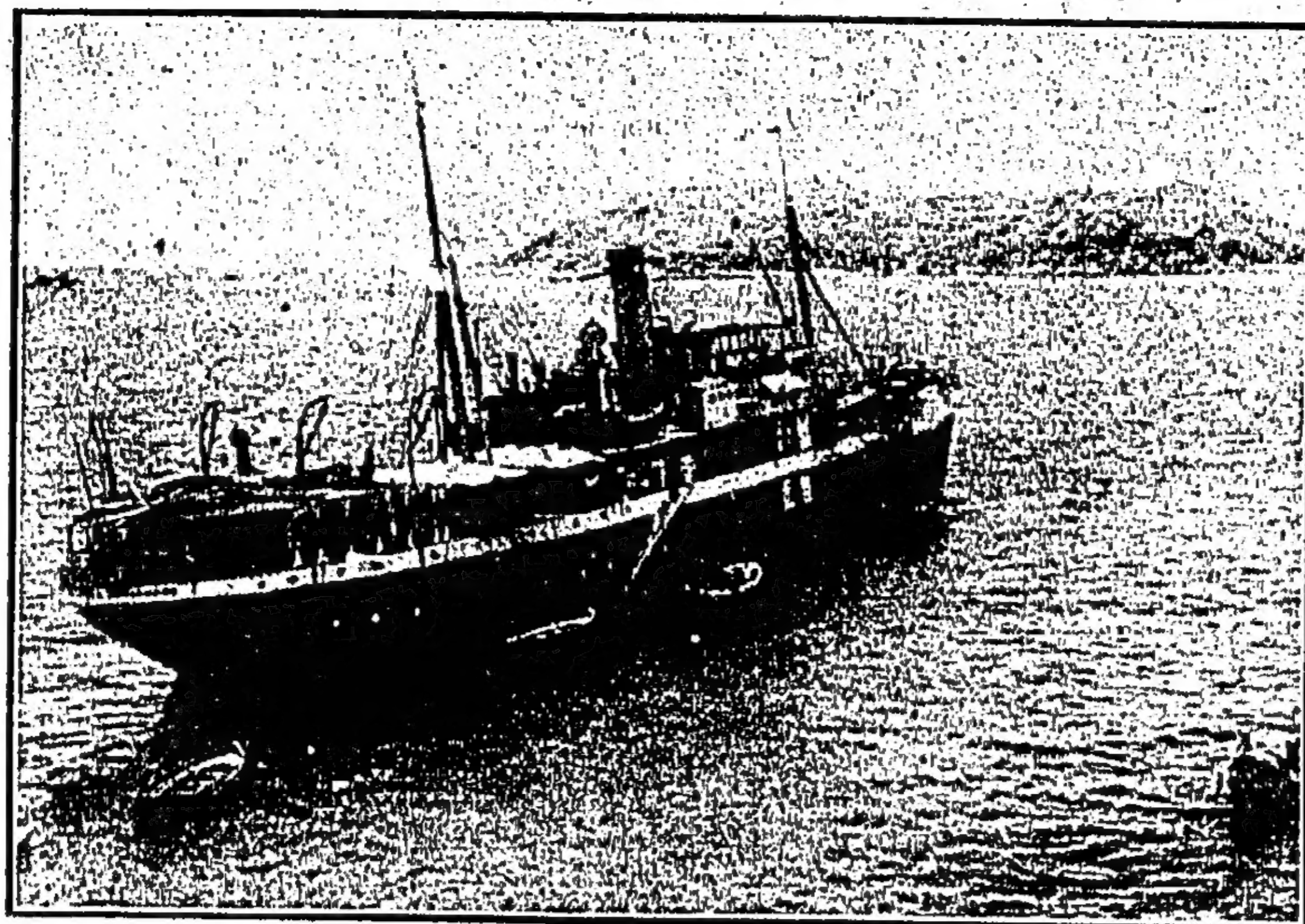
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#### LADY ALEXANDER'S ORDEAL.

ATTACKED BY FOUR MASKED MEN.

London, July 16.  
One of the most daring robberies by masked men, who used a motor-car to escape, took place in Pont-street, Chelsea, between four and five o'clock yesterday morning, when Lady Alexander, widow of Sir George Alexander, the famous actor-manager, was attacked in her bedroom.

Two of the men held Lady Alexander down in bed, stifling her screams with their hands, while two others broke open her safe and rifled the room. All four robbers got clear away with a quantity of jewellery.

It is thought that they gained entrance to the house by means of a duplicate key, for nothing was heard of them until Lady Alexander was awakened by their entry into her bedroom.

Her muffled screams were heard in other parts of the house, and her maid, who sleeps in the room above, rushed downstairs to the rescue, only to be met by one of the burglars, a powerfully-built man, who left his companions and attacked her, throwing her to the floor.

By this time the other maids were awakened, windows were thrown up, and cries of "Police!" roused other people in the neighbourhood.

Waiting Motorcar.

The police were summoned by telephone, but by the time they arrived, following close upon Lady Alexander's chauffeur, who came across from the garage, the four men had rushed out of the house to the waiting car, which was in charge of a fifth man, and quickly disappeared. Later in the day the car was found in Kensington.

The stolen jewellery included a gold mesh bag, in which was a watch, a watch set with rubies and diamonds, a bracelet set with diamonds and sapphires, a pair of topaz and diamond earrings, a Queen Mary Order in gold, a League of Mercy badge, and other articles of personal jewellery, as well as some silver match-boxes and cigarette-cases and a small sum of money.

Both Lady Alexander and her maid, Miss Bramley, were yesterday suffering from shock. Otherwise they were none the worse, and were up and about as usual.

Fairly full descriptions of the men have been given to the police by Lady Alexander, her maid, and the butler. The burglars, it is stated, wore gloves, and their faces were masked.

Lady Alexander was to have been present yesterday afternoon to take part in the releasing of toy balloons from a building in Regent-street in connexion with the Civil Aviation Bill for the Air League of the British Empire. She sent a message, however, stating that "while I am extremely keen on the cause, I do not feel up to attending the function after my awful experience."

#### 40 M.P.H. CHASE.

SUSPECTED MOTOR BANDIT'S TRAIL OF ACCIDENTS.

Several road accidents and a 40-miles-an-hour chase by a policeman riding pillion on a motor-cycle were features of an exciting chase through North London recently after a suspected motorist in a car which is believed to have been stolen and used in a smash-and-grab raid in Edgware-road.

While escaping, the driver is alleged to have knocked down three people in Maida Vale, W. In Kilburn, High-road, N.W., he is

#### SINO-SOVIET "WAR" CONTINUES.

FIGHTING AT THREE POINTS ON FRONTIER.

BIG LOSSES REPORTED.

Harbin, Aug. 20.  
On the north-west frontier, near Manchuli, hostilities between Chinese and Russian troops are continuing. The Russians resumed their bombardment of the Chinese troops at Chalaner after an unsuccessful attempt to capture the city. The Russian infantry resumed their attack on the Kirin troops yesterday morning and heavy casualties have been suffered by both sides.

The Chinese military intelligence department states that the Russian troops are short of food which accounts for the fact that whenever they raid a Chinese town, they loot the places and rob the residents of their foods and valuables.

Mitshankhsien, in Kirin Province, was looted by Russians yesterday. Over 300 Russian troops attacked the city and remained looting and burning the Chinese residences.

Chinese reinforcements to Sulfenho have been delayed on account of the Japanese order forbidding troops to travel on the S. M. Railway.

The fighting at Tungchinghsien, reported yesterday, is stated to be still in progress. The Russians made a third attempt to enter the city yesterday evening.

Telegraphic communication between Sulfenho and Harbin has been interrupted since yesterday evening, owing to the Russian invasion.

Is Bluecher Galens?

Shanghai, Aug. 14.  
It is freely stated in Russian circles here that General Bluecher, given the command of the Russian Far Eastern Army, is none other than General Galens who was chief advisor to the Nationalist army during the march from Canton to Hongkong in 1926 and afterwards at Hankow till the final breach of the Nationalists with Moscow in the summer of 1927.

After leaving China, "Galens" went to Moscow where he remained some time. Then he was appointed to Kharkov, which position he has apparently held until called again to the Far East. General Bluecher is said to be a grandson of the famous Marshal who led the Prussian army at Waterloo.

Those who know "Galens" speak highly of his ability and personality. He knows every unit of the Chinese army and the ability of each of its commanders. He was instrumental in training many of the newer elements in the army. Among Russians, there was considerable speculation as to whether "Galens's" appointment will be followed by some recognition for Comrade Borodin who is now Vice-Director of the Tass News Agency in Moscow.

stated to have knocked down Mr. Thomas Owen, aged 60, an omnibus driver, of Moira-road, Cricklewood, N.W. A policeman who had witnessed the accident jumped on to the pillion of a passing motor-cycle, which chased the car to Shop-up-hill, Cricklewood, where another car collided with the cycle, injuring the driver, Mr. John Churchill, of Harrow-road, W., and the policeman.

Another policeman took up the chase in a private motor-car and followed the suspected car for nearly two miles, when it was lost.

#### LIBEL ACTION SETTLED.

"AN INTENDED JEST THAT FELL FLAT."

A settlement was announced before Mr. Justice Roche, of a libel action of Messrs. Moss Bros. and Co., Ltd., against the Amalgamated Press, Ltd.

Mr. Givens, for Messrs. Moss Bros., said that they were clothiers and outfitters in the neighbourhood of Covent Garden. The defendants were the proprietors of The Look-On. On May 25 last there was published in that paper an article which contained a number of thinly-veiled references to Messrs. Moss Bros., and which they regarded as of an exceedingly offensive character.

He was glad to say that the matter had been settled. Messrs. Moss Bros. had no desire to make money out of the matter, and the defendants had agreed to pay the costs and to express regret for an unfortunate, misguided piece of humour.

Mr. M. Healy, for the Amalgamated Press, said that what was intended by the article was an essay on the art of parody. The contributor took a firm like Messrs. Moss Bros. and wrote a sort of parody as an advertisement. Unfortunately he parodied the name as well as everything else.

Mr. Justice Roche—Many persons of distinction have found this firm very useful.

Mr. Healy agreed and said that his clients were very sorry if what was intended as a jest had fallen flat. They realised that they had caused some annoyance to Messrs. Moss Bros. and were very sorry for it.

Mr. Justice Roche allowed the record to be withdrawn on the terms agreed.

#### SCIENCE AS A DETECTIVE.

ULTRA-VIOLET RAYS TO PROVE ANTIQUES.

New York, July 15.  
Two contributions by science to the detection of frauds are announced by the Metropolitan Museum of Art and the General Electric Company.

The former in its current bulletin reports the researches of Mr. James J. Rorimer, assistant curator of decorative arts, who claims that the ultra-violet ray fixes the authenticity of antique marbles. While his researches so far are limited to sculpture, he believes the ray might also be useful in settling problems in connexion with paintings, although it is admittedly applicable to bronzes and other metallic objects.

Under ultra-violet rays antique marbles show decided differences of colour from modern stone; they have disclosed patchings to antique works invisible to the naked eye.

Tell-tale Glow.  
The other announcement, from the General Electric Company, reports the first commercial use of the cathode ray developed by Dr. W. D. Coolidge. This is stated to detect imitations from genuine sapphires with such exactitude that it is possible to determine whether the imitations are made in the same factory, and what fields have produced the genuine stones.

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## CHAPTER XIX.

Jerry was amazed at her own feelings. She wanted, rashly and without thought of consequence, to throw herself into Dan's arms and cling to him forever. In a moment they would say good-bye at her door. She couldn't bear that, knowing he was never coming back again.

She closed her eyes while the swift surge of emotional abandonment coursed through her being. It couldn't be, her brain signalled to pounding heart and tingling nerves. She mustn't touch him. This was only a passing fear—something that she would get over soon.

She'd never been indifferent to partings of a final nature. People had sometimes thought her callous and cold because she preferred to avoid tender scenes. She didn't like to say good-bye to anyone who was at all dear to her. That was it, she liked Dan Harvey, liked him more than she wanted to, but it couldn't be love. It couldn't be love because he hadn't made her forget all the world for him.

Hadn't she heard a line about the world being well lost for love? Well, she didn't feel that way about Dan Harvey. She could see a background behind his proposal. Girls in love didn't see beyond the ecstasy of their lover's kisses, she remembered.

Dan had kissed her, and she had thought of the danger his love was to her ambition.

She opened her eyes, the impulse to surrender vanquished. Dan helped her out to the sidewalk and she ran on ahead of him up to the old stoop. He did not follow immediately.

She turned, with her hand on the doorknob. She hoped he couldn't see that her eyes were filled with tears.

"Good-bye," she called, and turned the knob. The door was locked. She had hoped this would be one of those times when it wasn't. She lost time in fumbling in her bag for the key.

Dan was beside her before she found it. He took it and let his fingers linger on hers. And he saw the tears in her eyes. But he thought them tears of anger or humiliation. She was a proud little beggar, he told himself. He must have gone pretty deep when he intimated that Alister Carstairs wouldn't stoop to her level for a wife.

Alister would call it stooping, he amended. To him Jerry was the highest-placed girl in the world. He had a mental feeling of looking upward whenever he thought of her, except when he remembered her avowed intention to marry money; then he felt like using a slipper on her.

"You can't wish me out of your life, Jerry," he said throatily. "You will save a lot of hard feeling if you don't try it."

"When I need you I'll let you know," Jerry flashed at him, but Dan refused to take it as sarcastically as she meant it.

"I'll consider that a promise," he said. "And if you keep it I'll expect to see you soon. Good night," he added, handing her the key.

He did not wait for another word from Jerry. In fact she uttered none but passed through the door he had unlocked and thrown open with a haste that bespoke immediate need of some place to cry her heart out.

When Myrtle came in she was washing her hair, having had to heat the water for her shampoo on the gas plate. That supplied by the heater in the basement had long since grown cold, or been used by the other tenants.

"Well, for Pete's sake, what have you been doing?" Myrtle exclaimed in astonishment. "Why didn't you wait until morning? Forget it's Sunday?"

Jerry was compelled to lie with her hair spread out on a bath towel, and laid over the pillow to let it dry while she tried to go to sleep. Myrtle had grumbled about having the light turned on.

Jerry wished she had a room of her own. Myrtle had all right to live with. She'd heard girls in the store talk about roommates who wore their things without permission, used their cosmetics lavishly and even read their mail. Myrtle did none of these things. But Jerry had been used to privacy; that much refinement at least she had had at home.

She didn't always feel like going to bed when Myrtle did and on very hot nights she thought with longing of a spacious bed with smooth sheets on which you could turn at will. And in the winter Myrtle had pulled the covers,

Jerry often awoke chilled and tired.

Myrtle was a restless sleeper. She stayed out too much at night, danced too much, relaxed too little. Jerry told her she wondered she didn't dream of dragons and puppy dogs' tails from eating so often in Chinese restaurants.

It would be so much nicer to sleep alone than with someone who retired on a full meal of chop suey or chow mein and with a face on which makeup still adhered, she reflected.

But their room rent was \$12 a week. Twelve dollars a week! They could rent a swell house in Marblehead for that much money. She couldn't think of paying \$12 a week all by herself. She could get a hall bedroom—there had been a vacancy on both the second and third floors since they moved into the house, but she couldn't move into another room and let Myrtle shift for herself.

It had been Myrtle who had come to her rescue when she first obtained a job at Fane's. Her rent then was taking far more of her meagre funds than she could afford. Myrtle had suggested sharing a room and Jerry, in her inexperience, had been glad to accept. She had since learned about the hall rooms and their very, very limited space, but prudence prevailed.

Myrtle knitted in her sleep. Jerry shuddered, but in the next instant she had reached out and touched her friend lightly on the cheek. She felt ashamed of her critical attitude. Myrtle was a real friend—they didn't always agree, but Myrtle had proved that she would stick in a pinch.

But it didn't seem fair that some people had to live in wretched, crowded discomfort while others—she thought of Leon-tine's boudoir. A place of silken paneled walls and gold brocade, of mauve velvet on the floor and exquisite lace at the windows.

She took them, Jerry assured herself. "I don't know how, but I'm sure she wasn't born with a gold spoon in her mouth. Maybe she's living like I am if she's been content to do it."

Myrtle moved in her sleep, flung an arm restlessly out across the pillow. Poor Myrtle. She thought this was a good enough room. She was content to be poor.

"Well, I'm not," Jerry thought impatiently. "I'll take what I want."

This thought was still in her mind when Alister telephoned her the next day about six to say he was coming over. His voice sounded a bit gruff, as though he were out of patience with someone or something.

Jerry soon found out why when she was in the black roadster, headed for Long Island.

"I wasn't going to come near you again," Alister informed her. "I don't like your lack of sportsmanship."

That made Jerry pretty angry. "What do you mean by that remark?" she demanded.

"I mean the way you ran out on me last night just because the crowd tried to have a little fun with you."

"Then you made a mistake in coming back," Jerry declared warmly. "Because I know when I've had enough. Did you think I was going to stay out all night in a wet dress?"

"I could have fixed you up. I told you that."

"Thanks, but I think it was up to you to bring me home without complaining about it. And you might just as well know that I won't go to any more roadhouses with you. If you don't like it you can turn around right now and go back."

She was very sure of herself, very emphatic. She couldn't forget the warning Dan Harvey had given her. Perhaps Alister Carstairs wouldn't marry a shopgirl.

Well, one thing was certain—he wasn't going to ruin her reputation before she found out whether he wanted to marry her or not.

"Independent, aren't you?" he twitted her. "But don't try to take advantage of my giving in. I'll admit I didn't want to—but there's something about you, Jerry, that I find irresistible. Still I wouldn't bear down too hard on it if I were you. You know there are lots of pretty girls in the world."

Jerry laughed. "Are there?" she mocked. "But they don't mean anything to you just this minute, do they?"

Alister jerked his head around. "No," he said; "there's only you, Jerry Ray. And you know damn well I'm crazy about you."

(To Be Continued.)

## AMERICAN STOCKS.

## CABLED QUOTATIONS FROM NEW YORK.

The following quotations as at the close of the market on Tuesday have been received from their correspondents: Messrs. Hayden, Stone and Co., of New York, by Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz, Smeaton House, Shanghai, (cable address: "Swanstock," Shanghai), who are not responsible for the cable mutilations. The quotations are subject to confirmation:

	Previous	Latest
Anacosta Copper	120	120
Bethlehem Steel	129	128
Baltimore and Ohio	138	140
Chrysler Corp. (Common)	73	72
General Motor (Common)	71	70
Generally Rly. Signal	121	121
Goodyear Tyre and Rubber	111	110
Granby Consolidated	78	79
Copper International (Common)	unq.	78
Liggett and Myers "B"	90	91
Missouri Pacific (Common)	unq.	93
Nevada Consolidated	46	45
Copper Radio Corporation of America (Common)	86	91
Standard Oil Co. of New York	41	41
Southern Pacific	144	145
Texas Corporation	64	65
United States Steel	249	247
Vacuum Oil	124	120
Willam Overland	24	24

## THE DUCHESS'S FUN.

## SCIENTIFIC PEEP-SHOW SURPRISE.

A scientific peep-show was arranged for the Duke and Duchess of York when they opened the centenary celebrations at King's College, Strand.

The Duchess, who was radiant in shell-pink crepe de Chine, entered a curtained alcove which was like a conjurer's vanishing cabinet. She was asked to pick up an apple lying upon two oranges, but when she stretched out her hand she clutched nothing, for the apple was an optical illusion contrived with mirrors.

A clown, six inches high, demonstrated equilibrium by toppling down a flight of stairs, head over heels, and landing on his feet.

The Duchess laughed, and immediately a little celluloid bulldog flew out of a toy kennel. He, in his comical way, was showing the effect of atmospheric vibration on his delicately constructed hutch.

The Duke smiled when lion growls, cat squeals, and organ notes were produced from sounding tubes by the application of heat and showed great interest in exhibits which contrasted century-old scientific instruments with modern inventions.

The students presented the Duchess with a woolly red lion, a reproduction of the college emblem, for Princess Elizabeth.

## DOCTORS DISAGREE OVER DYING MAN.

## BATHING VICTIM "COULD HAVE BEEN SAVED."

London, July 16. Conflicting evidence was given by two doctors at an inquest yesterday on James William Grier (55), of Muswell-hill, London, who was drowned while bathing at Broadstairs.

Death from misadventure was the verdict.

Dr. E. J. Newman, of Avenue-gardens Ilford, Essex, said that Grier was alive when brought ashore. His heart became stronger.

When ambulance men and Dr. Raven said that they were going to move Mr. Grier, he objected. In his opinion the man would have stood a better chance of recovering had he been left on the beach.

Dr. Hugh M. Raven, of Broad-stairs, said that he told the ambulance men that they had better remove Mr. Grier, who showed no signs of life.

Captain Hallett Carpenter, of Maple-road, Surbiton, said that he protested when Dr. Raven wanted to move Mr. Grier. "This man could have been saved had he not been moved from the beach," his heart was beating," said witness.

## BURGLAR AT HOUSE OF LADY CURZON.

## REVOLVER PRESENTED AT SERVANTS.

An armed burglar was found early on the morning of July 4 in The Grove, the house of the Marchioness Curzon of Kedleston.

The burglar, when surprised in the kitchen by the butler and other members of the household staff, levelled a revolver at them with the warning, "Move and I fire!" The butler and his companions were forced to back out of the kitchen and the burglar escaped through a window.

He was pursued by the staff, who were closing with him when he began to fire over his shoulder. The chauffeur reached him, but the burglar shone an electric torch in his face, tripped him, and escaped.

Lady Curzon, who had been alarmed by the noise, came downstairs. A search was made of the house, but as far as could be seen nothing had been taken.

Later a man was seen leaving a house in Cheveley Park, near Newmarket, the occupants of which had gone to the races, and soon after two £1 notes were missed. The man in this case was described as about 5ft. 5in. in height and wearing a brown suit.

## SHARE PRICES

## TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

**Banks.**  
Hongkong Bank, \$1235 s.  
Chartered Bank, £194 b.  
Mercantile A. & B., £321 n.  
P. and O. £291 n.  
East Asia \$904 n.

**Insurance.**  
Canton Ins., \$630 n.  
Union Ins., \$328 s.  
North China Ins., Tls. 160 b.  
Yangtze Ins., \$50 n.  
China Underwriters, \$220 s.  
China Fire, \$310 b.  
H. K. Fire Ins., \$765 s.

**Shipping.**  
Douglas, \$271 n.  
H. K. Steamboats, \$25 f. b.  
H. K. Tugs, \$2 s.  
Indo-China, (Dof.) \$70 n.  
Union Waterboats, \$22 n.

**Mining.**  
Benguet, \$3.10 b.  
Kailash, \$2/6 n.  
Langkat, Tls. 15 n.  
Shai Explorations, Tls. 2.75 s.  
Raub, \$81 b.  
Tronoh, 21/- n.

**Docks, etc.**  
Kowloon Wharves, \$128 b.  
Whampoa Docks, \$321 b.  
China Providents, \$4.40 s.  
Hongkong, Tls. 175 n.  
New Engineering, Tls. 71 s.  
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 140 b.

**Cottons.**  
Ewo Cottons, Tls. 16.90 b.  
Oriental, Tls. 2.30 b.  
Shai Cottons, Tls. 931 (old) n.  
**Lands, Hotels, etc.**  
H. and S. Hotels, \$8.45 s.  
H. K. Lands, \$691 s.  
Shai Lands Tls. 150 b.  
Humphreys, \$13.50 b.  
Realities, \$8 b.

**Public Utilities.**  
Tramways, \$18.25 b.  
Peak Trams, (old) \$11.80 n.  
Star Ferries, \$654 b.  
China Lights, (old) \$12.95 s.  
H. K. Electric, \$581 s.  
Macao Electric, \$261 n.  
Telephones, \$7 b.  
China Buses, Tls. 141 b.  
Singapore Tractions, 11/- s.

**Industrials.**  
China Sugars, 95 s.  
Malabon, \$27 n.  
Canton Ice, \$2 b.  
Cements (Comb.) \$9 s.  
Ropes (Old) \$61 b.  
United Asbestos \$5 b.

**Stores, etc.**  
Dairy Farms, \$19.90 b.  
Watsons, \$11.90 b.  
Dor. A. Wings, 80 b.  
Lane Crawford, \$11 s.  
Mackintosh, \$18 b.  
Sinceres, \$12 b.

**Miscellaneous.**  
Amusements, \$26 n.  
Constructions, \$1.55 b.  
E'quo Ind. G. Bonds, 641  
H. K. G. Loan 7% s. Prem.

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Per Dollar liner President Cleveland from Hongkong for Seattle on Aug. 20.—Mr. H. V. Whelan, Mr. J. W. Mayhew, Mr. Luke Yau, Mr. Lie Chung Sang, Mr. Woo Wing Yik, Mrs. E. M. Somps, Miss Aline Somps, Mrs. K. C. Fung, Mr. Victor Gonzalez, Mr. Albert Dodge, Mr. A. Jacobson, Mr. N. O. Long, Mr. S. M. Tuck, Mr. F. H. Artindale, Mr. Su Sut Hin, Mrs. B. A. Proulx, Mr. and Mrs. Cheng Taz Shung, Mr. and Mrs. B. Schwartz, Mr. H. E. Castoll, Mr. W. P. Hacker, Mr. Chang Wei Hung, Mr. G. F. Gurnier, Mr. S. K. Chua, Mr. G. W. Sing Chan, Mr. and Mrs. C. Guthrie, Mr. An Wing Yiu, Mr. Wong Ngong Chek, Mr. Chang Hin Chung, Mr. Kwang Chu Tai, Rev. and Mrs. E. N. Durriz, Mr. Parritz, Mr. Jose Erren, Mr. Armita Kohn, Mr. H. Wong, Mr. Q. F. Yli, Mr. C. R. Richards, Mr. Lai Mun Long, Mr. Hu Pak Hoon, Miss K. Simmons, Mr. H. P. Horton, Mr. Lau Lee Chun, Mr. C. C. Chang, Mr. J. P. Hsuan, Mr. K. C. Fung, Miss T. Yeo, Mr. Lee Yin Jack, Mrs. Ow.

**NEW TO THE PORT.****DUTCH VESSELS FIRST VISIT TO HONGKONG.**

For the second time in two days, a vessel new to the port has arrived here, this being the Kertessono, which entered the harbour at 11.45 p.m. on Monday under the command of Capt. W. P. Van Meerkerk.

She is owned by W. Ruys and Zonen for whom the Java-China-Japan Line are the local agents. Soon by a Press representative yesterday, an official of the J.C.J.L. informed us that the Kertessono has not been placed on a regular run which necessitates her passing through Hongkong, but is only here for this trip. She has come from Los Angeles with about 1,600 tons of general cargo for local discharge and about 3,000 tons for ports beyond.

A steel crew vessel, she has a gross tonnage of 9,155 and a net tonnage of 5,710 and was built in 1923 by the Kon. Maats de Schelde at Flushing. Registered at Rotterdam under the Dutch flag, her dimensions are length 117.5 feet, beam 26.4 feet and depth 37.7 feet.

**LETTER GOLF SOLUTION.**

Here is the solution to the puzzle on another page.  
COAL, COAT, COST, MOST, MIST, MINT, NINE.

**RUNNERS' FEUD.****QUARREL BETWEEN BOARDING HOUSES CHECKED.**

With but little to choose between the two parties who were concerned in a fight on board the s.s. Titaroon on July 24, Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistrate yesterday afternoon convicted the defendants but ordered all persons involved in the dispute to be bound over to be of good behaviour for a period of six months.

Three men, the master of an imports and exports business and his two fellows, were alleged to have assaulted and caused actual bodily harm to two boarding house runners who were on board the Titaroon on July 24.

Mr. E. C. E. Rendall appeared on behalf of the complainants while Mr. J. M. Remedios represented the defendants.

On the conclusion of the case for the prosecution Mr. Remedios put his clients into the witness box. According to the story for the defence none of the three prisoners were on board the Titaroon, the first defendant being at his residence during the early part of the morning and the other two being on board the s.s. Titaroon.

Two other men who were not arrested had been sent to the Titaroon and on their return they reported to the master that a fight had occurred on the vessel.

Evidence supporting the alibi was given by inmates of the first defendant's house and a sampan man who took the second and third defendants to the Titaroon.

In giving judgment his Worship said that he did not think that it was a very satisfactory sort of a case. He did not think there was very much to choose between the defendants and the complainants. There seemed to have been a regular feud existing between the parties.

His Worship said that one thing he did not like about the complainants was their lack of frankness. They had not disclosed anything as much as they should have done. The feud and quarrel had been going on for a long time but the complainants tried to make out that it was because the first defendant asked for tea money which was refused by the first complainant that the trouble arose.

It was known that it was more than that, it was due to the competition between the parties in securing the business for their respective houses.

Continuing his Worship said that he did not know if the defence had been inclined to be more frank about the affair. Unfortunately, however, they could not be entirely frank about the incident without admitting that they were on the ship.

His Worship thought that it was just a case of the three defendants trying to get even with their opponents and had adopted too drastic measures. His Worship held that the alibi had failed. He thought that if the first defendant had not been on the ship he could have established the fact in a more convincing manner.

His Worship pointed out discrepancies in the story for the defence. He mentioned that one of the witnesses had stated that the traders, who went to his master's shop, left in the early morning and that when they arrived a witness named Lam was still on the premises while Lam stated that he did not see the men and the master (the first defendant) told the Court that they had remained all day.

His Worship said that he thought he had not very much hesitation in convicting but he would take into consideration the fact that, as he had said, he did not think that one side was much better than the other.

They did not know what sort of fights of a minor character had occurred before but it became a much more serious thing when a knife was used and a man stabbed through the chin and another was thrown into the water. He thought it was a case for imposing a penalty.

The first defendant would be fined \$75 or six weeks' hard labour in default while the other two would pay a fine of \$25 or three weeks' imprisonment.

**CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.****THE BEN LINE STEAMERS, LIMITED.**

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All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 6th September, 1929, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 22nd August, at 10 a.m., by Messrs. Goddard and Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

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Hongkong, 16th August, 1929.

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Goods not clear by the 27th August, 1929, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the godowns, where they will be examined on the 26th August, 1929 at 10 a.m. by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas, Hongkong.

Claims against the steamer must be presented in writing within ten days after arrival of steamer, otherwise they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by the undersigned in any case whatever.

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JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE, Agents.

Hongkong, 20th August, 1929.

**INSURANCE FAILURE.****AN OLD ESTABLISHED GERMAN FIRM INVOLVED.**

Berlin, Aug. 20.

The old-established "General Insurance Company of Frankfurt," one of two leading insurance companies, has ceased payment, allegedly resulting from speculative transactions in which the total capital of twenty-five million marks has been lost, and many million marks liabilities have been incurred.

One of its subsidiaries, the Sud-West Deutsche Bank of Frankfurt, has closed its doors.

Negotiations are proceeding with a view to the Alliance Trust, the other leading insurance company, taking over the "General's" life insurance business, with a view to averting a panic.—Reuter.

The three defendants would be further bound over to be of good behaviour for six months.

On the application of Mr. Remedios the complainants were also ordered to sign personal bonds for their future behaviour.

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MANTUA	10,945	28th Sept.	Bombay, M's & L'don
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"GARBETA"	5,327	15th Sept.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta
TILAWA	10,006	4th Oct.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta
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"MIRZAPUR"	6,715	2nd Sept.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
"NAGORE"	5,283	4th Sept.	H'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
ST. ALBANS	4,500	10th Sept.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
"ALIPONE"	5,273	11th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
MANTUA	10,945	13th Sept.	Shanghai
TILAWA	10,006	14th Sept.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka

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are hereby notified that their cargo will be discharged into Holt's Wharf Kowloon, where it will be at Consignee's risk and subject to terms and conditions of storage at Holt's Wharf. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Godown on and after 19th August.

Optional cargo will not be landed here, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival but carried on from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon within the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 26th August, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 9th Sept., or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. **BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,** Hongkong, 18th August, 1929.

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All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 10th September, 1929, or they will not be recognized.

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Hongkong, 20th August, 1929.

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Optional cargo will not be landed here, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival but carried on from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends.

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### PRIME MINISTER INTERVIEWED.

STATEMENT ON TALKS WITH  
GENERAL DAWES.

VALUABLE ACCORDS.

London, Aug. 20.  
An interesting statement, bearing out the assumption that an important message has been received from Washington, was made by Mr. Ramsey MacDonald at Lonsmouth this afternoon, in the course of an interview with Reuter's representatives.  
The Prime Minister said that General Dawes visited him yesterday in order that they might exchange views "upon a message from Washington, which I am studying, as it, with a message which I sent from Lonsmouth recently, marks a distinct advance in our conversations."  
Mr. MacDonald said that in the course of the conversations everything had been reviewed from the composition and effects of the proposed "yard-stick" to the function of police-cruisers.  
He declared that everything at the moment is in the tentative stage, but "a good deal of hampering undergrowth has been removed and we are up against the hard realities with some valuable general agreements behind them."  
"We are both fully aware, however, that no agreement between us two can carry us very far unless the other Powers agree and that places conditions on our work. A wide conference, say the resumption of the Washington Conference before the date at present fixed, is at the back of our minds all the time."—Reuter.

### JAPAN'S INTEREST.

Special Naval Envoys Leaving  
for London.

Tokyo, Aug. 20.  
For the purpose of exchanging views with Ambassador Matsudaira regarding disarmament questions, Captain Saburo Sato, of the Naval Affairs Bureau, has been ordered to proceed to London.

It is understood that Captain Sato will explain the details of the recent interdepartmental deliberations by the Foreign Office and Navy Office, after which he will act as a special "Disarmament Attache" at the Embassy.—Reuter.

### ZEPPELIN'S PACIFIC FLIGHT.

GETTING READY FOR START  
TO-MORROW.

Tokyo, Aug. 21.  
A message from Kasumigaura states that the work of re-fuelling and re-gassing the Graf Zeppelin is progressing satisfactorily.  
Weather conditions are favourable for the departure of the giant airship on her voyage across the Pacific, which is scheduled for four o'clock on Thursday morning.  
Immense crowds of sightseers are thronging the vicinity of the aerodrome, and interest in the airship remains intense.  
In the meantime, the officers and crew are continuing the round of entertainments in their honour, and are being loaded with numerous gifts from Japanese admirers.—Reuter.

### AMERICAN ADMIRAL'S DEATH.

RETIRED OFFICER PASSES  
AWAY AT NICE.

Nice, Aug. 20.  
The death has occurred here of Vice-Admiral Albert Barbier Niblack, of the United States Navy.—Reuter.  
[The late Admiral Niblack was born in 1859 and graduated at the U. S. Naval Academy in 1880. He retired in 1923. In that year he was nominated by the late President Wilson as American representative for the director of the International Hydrographic Bureau of Monaco.]

### SOVIET AIRMAN TO TRY AGAIN.

LOST HIS WAY OWING TO  
FOREST FIRES.

Moscow, Aug. 20.  
The crew of the aeroplane "Land of the Soviets" has returned to Moscow.  
The pilot, Mr. Shestakov, says he lost his way owing to forest fires and fog. He will shortly renew his attempt to fly to New York.—Reuter.

London, Aug. 20.  
The large German flying-boat, Rohrbachromar, appeared over Norwich to-day during a trial long-distance flight from Germany.—British Wireless.

### COUNTY CRICKET STRUGGLE.

NOTTS SUPERIOR TO  
LANCASHIRE.

YORKSHIRE JUMP INTO THE  
SECOND PLACE.

SERIES OF CENTURIES.

London, Aug. 21.  
A great finish between Yorkshire and Notts in the race for the county championship, with three counties ready to take advantage of slips by either, seems very certain as the result of the matches concluded to-day.

Notts defeated Lancashire on the first innings, after compiling a huge score, and Yorkshire gained ground by imposing a defeat upon Middlesex. Sussex are now definitely in the race. They defeated Glamorgan and are now only two points behind Gloucester and Lancashire.

The leading positions are as follows:

	P.	W.	L.	Pts.
Notts	24	12	2	138
Yorkshire	24	9	1	132
Gloucester	25	13	5	129
Lancashire	25	10	3	129
Sussex	25	12	6	127

Worcester had a curious experience. After leading by a hundred on the first innings, they lost to Hants, for whom Brown came to the rescue with a smart century. Gibbons and Nichol got hundreds for Worcester.

Nine centuries were scored in all, the principal individual achievements being:

	P.	W.	L.	Pts.
Payton (Notts)	149			
Brown (Hants)	148			
Nichol (Worcester)	137			
Gibbons (Worcester)	126			
Iddon (Lancashire)	125			
J. L. Bryan (Kent)	124			
G. B. Legge (Kent)	113			
Langridge (Sussex)	103			
Young (Somerset)	100			

	P.	W.	L.	Pts.
Langridge (Sussex)	7	for 58		
Kennedy (Hants)	6	for 58		
Bowes (Yorkshire)	5	for 48		
P. G. H. Bower (Surrey)	5	for 42		
Macaulay (Yorkshire)	4	for 21		

### MIDDLESEX OUTPLAYED.

Low-scoring in Match at  
Bradford.

Yorkshire defeated Middlesex by 196 runs, the visitors' batting falling lamentably in their second innings. Yorkshire were on top from the commencement, batting first and making 213 as against 154 by Middlesex.

Yorkshire batting a second time made 229 for 7 wickets and declared and then effected the dismissal of Middlesex for 92 runs. Macaulay taking 4 wickets for 21 runs. In Middlesex's first innings, Bowes took 5 wickets for 48 runs.

### LANGRIDGE'S MATCH.

A Century and Eleven  
Wickets.

James Langridge had the match between Sussex and Glamorgan at Swansea almost to himself. Sussex won by 181 runs, and Langridge not only scored a hundred, but took eleven wickets for 124 runs.

Sussex started none too well, being all out for 151, Mercer taking 5 wickets for 51 runs. Glamorgan fared still worse, being dismissed for 115, James Langridge taking 7 for 58. He followed this up by making 103 in Sussex's second innings, which closed at 333.  
Glamorgan went in needing 374 runs to win and were dismissed for 188, Wensley taking 5 for 97, and Langridge, 4 for 66.

### HANTS' RECOVERY.

Game Pulled Round in Good  
Style.

Hampshire did well to defeat Worcester by four wickets at Bournemouth. The visitors, thanks to Gibbons (125) and Nichol (137) secured a big first innings advantage, making 390 as against 291 by Hampshire.

Going in a second time, Worcester fared apparently well enough to win, the last wicket falling at 171, Kennedy taking 6 for 58.

Thanks to Brown who scored 140 in bright style, Hampshire scored 271 for the loss of six wickets and won. Root took 4 wickets in this innings for 90 runs.

### GLOUCESTER FAIL.

Effort Comes too Late.

At Cheltenham, Surrey defeated Gloucester on the first innings. Gloucester took first knock and made 186, P.G.H. Fender taking 5 wickets for 62 runs.  
Surrey replied with 286, exactly a hundred runs better.  
Gloucester put together 389 in the second innings, but that marked the close of play.

### AMERICA'S IMPORT TARIFFS.

BITTER FIGHT EXPECTED  
DESPITE CUTS.

SENATE'S DECISIONS.

Washington, Aug. 20.  
The cotton manufacturers have been given a slight advantage under the Tariff Bill. The duty on sewing thread is increased from 25 to 30 per cent, printed, dyed, coloured and woven cotton-cloth goes up from 16 to 20 per cent.

Cotton gloves, however, have suffered a reduction of duty from 60 per cent. to 30 per cent.

There is every prospect of an exceedingly bitter contest as regards the new rates, which, although reducing the increases proposed by the House of Representatives by about sixty per cent, still bring the general tariff level considerably higher.

The Bill, as revised by the Senate Finance Committee, proposes about 300 changes, including a reduction in the sugar duty as passed by the House of Representatives, though the rate will be higher than the present one; also the restoration of the present 31 per cent. duty on raw wool, which the House raised by three cents a lb. and increased duties on wool waste.

Logs of fir, spruce, hemlock and cedar are placed on the free list.

The greatest number of reductions are in the chemical schedule.—Reuter's American Service.

### NEW U.S. MINISTER TO HOLLAND.

MR. G. J. DIEKEMA GETS THE  
APPOINTMENT.

Washington, Aug. 20.  
Mr. Gerrit John Diekema has been appointed United States Minister to Holland.—Reuter's American Service.

[Mr. Diekema, who is a Congressman, was admitted to the Bar in 1883 and has long been in practice at Holland, Michigan. He is a director of several companies and has been prominently associated with the Republican Party in politics. He was manager of the Speakers' Bureau of the Republican National Committee in Chicago in 1912. He was first elected to Congress in 1907.]

### KENT ALSO UPSET.

Two Individual Hundreds  
in Vain.

By a margin of 20 runs, Kent were defeated on the first innings by Derbyshire, at Dover.

G.B. Legge contributed 113 and Kent's last wicket fell at 319. Derby put up 339, though Wright took 5 wickets for 62 runs. In their second knock, Kent compiled 248 for 5 wickets (J. L. Bryan, 124) and declared. Derby had made 59 without loss, when stumps were drawn.

### NOTTS IN BATTING FORM.

Tense Struggle at Trent Bridge.

Notts went all out to force a victory against Lancashire at Trent Bridge, and with four wickets down in their second innings, the visitors needed 47 runs to avoid an innings defeat.

Lancashire won the toss and batted first and would have fared extremely badly but for a timely effort by Payton, who scored 125 in a total of 247.

Notts responded by putting together the huge total of 469 for 9 wickets (declared), thanks principally to Payton, who scored 169. Lancashire had lost four wickets for 175 runs when stumps were drawn, putting up a determined defence.

### RAIN INTERRUPTS.

Leicester Get Major Points.

The rain on Saturday interfered with the match between Essex and Leicester and the latter team, with a big advantage, had to be content with first innings points. Essex were dismissed for 214. Leicester compiling 305 in reply. The closing stages saw Essex make 215 for 7 wickets.

### CURIOUS DECLARATION.

Warwick Lucky to Escape  
Follow-On.

Somerset won on the first innings against Warwickshire, at Birmingham, the home team being somewhat fortunate in evading the follow-on.

Somerset went in first and hit up 362 (Young, 100) in spite of fine bowling by Mayer, who took 5 for 76.

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Warwick had lost four wickets for 67 runs at the close of play.—Reuter.

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